

**Representative Norman K Thurston** proposes the following substitute bill:

**PUBLIC NOTICE REQUIREMENTS**

2023 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Stephanie Pitcher**

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill amends provisions relating to providing public notices.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ defines terms;
- ▶ creates classifications for types of public notices where each classification requires notice to be provided in specific ways;
- ▶ amends public notice provisions to implement the new classification system; and
- ▶ makes technical and conforming changes.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

AMENDS:

**4-17-109**, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2017, Chapter 345

**4-25-201**, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2017, Chapter 345

**4-25-401**, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2017, Chapter 345



- 26 **4-30-106**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345
- 27 **7-1-706**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345
- 28 **7-2-6**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 258
- 29 **8-5-6**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 355
- 30 **9-8-805**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2019, Chapter 221
- 31 **10-2-406**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, First Special Session, Chapter 15
- 32 **10-2-407**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapter 355
- 33 **10-2-415**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, First Special Session, Chapter 15
- 34 **10-2-418**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, First Special Session, Chapter 15
- 35 **10-2-419**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, First Special Session, Chapter 15
- 36 **10-2-501**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapter 355
- 37 **10-2-502.5**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, First Special Session, Chapter 15
- 38 **10-2-607**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345 and 355
- 39 **10-2-703**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, First Special Session, Chapter 15
- 40 **10-2-708**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, First Special Session, Chapter 15
- 41 **10-2a-207**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 112, 345, and 355
- 42 **10-2a-210**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, First Special Session, Chapter 15
- 43 **10-2a-213**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, First Special Session, Chapter 15
- 44 **10-2a-214**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, First Special Session, Chapter 15
- 45 **10-2a-215**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, First Special Session, Chapter 15
- 46 **10-2a-404**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, First Special Session, Chapter 15
- 47 **10-2a-405**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, First Special Session, Chapter 15
- 48 **10-2a-410**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, First Special Session, Chapter 15
- 49 **10-3-301**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345 and 355
- 50 **10-3-711**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 355
- 51 **10-3-818**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345
- 52 **10-3c-204**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 210 and last amended by
- 53 Coordination Clause, Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 367
- 54 **10-5-107.5**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345
- 55 **10-5-108**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345 and 355
- 56 **10-6-113**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345 and 355

- 57 [10-6-135.5](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345
- 58 [10-6-152](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 355
- 59 [10-7-16](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 355
- 60 [10-7-19](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345 and 355
- 61 [10-8-2](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapter 307
- 62 [10-8-15](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345 and 355
- 63 [10-9a-203](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 162 and 345
- 64 [10-9a-204](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345 and 355
- 65 [10-9a-205](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapter 355
- 66 [10-9a-208](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345
- 67 [10-18-203](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, First Special Session, Chapter 15
- 68 [10-18-302](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345 and 355
- 69 [10-18-303](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 355
- 70 [11-13-204](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345
- 71 [11-13-219](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 355
- 72 [11-13-509](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345
- 73 [11-14-202](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, First Special Session, Chapter 15
- 74 [11-14-315](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 355
- 75 [11-14-316](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2013, Chapter 107
- 76 [11-14-318](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345 and 355
- 77 [11-14a-1](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 355
- 78 [11-17-16](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2011, Chapter 145
- 79 [11-27-4](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2011, Chapter 145
- 80 [11-27-5](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2010, Chapter 378
- 81 [11-30-5](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 355
- 82 [11-32-10](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2009, Chapter 388
- 83 [11-32-11](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2009, Chapter 388
- 84 [11-36a-501](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 344
- 85 [11-36a-503](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345
- 86 [11-36a-504](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345
- 87 [11-39-103](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 355

- 88 [11-42-202](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345, 355, and 415
- 89 [11-42-301](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 355
- 90 [11-42-402](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345 and 355
- 91 [11-42-404](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 355
- 92 [11-42-604](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2014, Chapter 189
- 93 [11-42a-201](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 355
- 94 [11-42b-104](#), as enacted by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapter 376
- 95 [11-42b-108](#), as enacted by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapter 376
- 96 [11-42b-109](#), as enacted by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapter 376
- 97 [11-42b-110](#), as enacted by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapter 376
- 98 [11-58-502](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345
- 99 [11-58-503](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 162, 345
- 100 [11-58-701](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapter 207
- 101 [11-58-901](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 282
- 102 [11-59-501](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 282
- 103 [11-65-204](#), as enacted by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapter 59
- 104 [11-65-402](#), as enacted by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapter 59
- 105 [11-65-601](#), as enacted by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapter 59
- 106 [17-27a-203](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 162 and 345
- 107 [17-27a-204](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345 and 355
- 108 [17-27a-205](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapter 355
- 109 [17-27a-208](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345
- 110 [17-27a-306](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345 and 355
- 111 [17-27a-404](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapters 282, 406
- 112 [17-36-12](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345
- 113 [17-36-26](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345
- 114 [17-41-302](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 355
- 115 [17-41-304](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345 and 355
- 116 [17-41-405](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapter 274
- 117 [17-50-303](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345
- 118 [17B-1-106](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 162, 345, and 382

- 119 [17B-1-111](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 355
- 120 [17B-1-211](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345 and 355
- 121 [17B-1-304](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapter 381
- 122 [17B-1-306](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapters 18, 381
- 123 [17B-1-313](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 355
- 124 [17B-1-413](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345
- 125 [17B-1-417](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345 and 355
- 126 [17B-1-505.5](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345 and 355
- 127 [17B-1-608](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapter 330
- 128 [17B-1-609](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345 and 355
- 129 [17B-1-643](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, First Special Session, Chapter 15
- 130 [17B-1-1204](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345 and 355
- 131 [17B-1-1307](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345 and 355
- 132 [17B-2a-705](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, First Special Session, Chapter 15
- 133 [17B-2a-1007](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 355
- 134 [17B-2a-1110](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345 and 355
- 135 [17C-1-207](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345
- 136 [17C-1-601.5](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345 and 355
- 137 [17C-1-701.5](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 355
- 138 [17C-1-804](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345
- 139 [17C-1-806](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345 and 355
- 140 [17C-1-1003](#), as enacted by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 214
- 141 [17C-2-108](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345 and 355
- 142 [17C-3-107](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345 and 355
- 143 [17C-4-106](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 355
- 144 [17C-4-109](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345
- 145 [17C-4-202](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345 and 355
- 146 [17C-5-110](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345 and 355
- 147 [17C-5-113](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345
- 148 [17C-5-205](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345 and 355
- 149 [17D-3-305](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345

- 150 [19-2-109](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345
- 151 [20A-1-206](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapter 167
- 152 [20A-1-512](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 77, 84 and 345
- 153 [20A-3a-604](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, First Special Session, Chapter 15
- 154 [20A-4-104](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapter 380
- 155 [20A-4-304](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapter 342
- 156 [20A-5-101](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, First Special Session, Chapter 15
- 157 [20A-5-403.5](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapter 156
- 158 [20A-5-405](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapter 170
- 159 [20A-7-103](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapters 170, 325
- 160 [20A-7-204.1](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345
- 161 [20A-7-402](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345
- 162 [20A-9-203](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, First Special Session, Chapter 15
- 163 [26-8a-405.3](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 355
- 164 [26-61a-303](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapters 290, 415
- 165 [52-4-202](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345
- 166 [52-4-302](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2012, Chapter 403
- 167 [53B-7-101.5](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345
- 168 [53E-4-202](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapter 377
- 169 [53G-3-204](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 162 and 345
- 170 [53G-4-204](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345
- 171 [53G-4-402](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 262, 324, and 345
- 172 [53G-5-504](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345
- 173 [54-8-10](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345 and 355
- 174 [54-8-16](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345 and 355
- 175 [54-8-23](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 355
- 176 [57-11-11](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345
- 177 [57-13a-104](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapter 274
- 178 [59-2-919](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345
- 179 [59-2-919.2](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345
- 180 [59-12-402](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 355

- 181 [59-12-1102](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345
- 182 [59-12-2208](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 355
- 183 [62A-5-202.5](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 355
- 184 [63A-5b-305](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 355
- 185 [63A-16-602](#), as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 344 and
- 186 last amended by Coordination Clause, Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 344
- 187 [63H-1-202](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapters 274, 463
- 188 [63H-1-701](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapter 463
- 189 [67-3-13](#), as enacted by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 155
- 190 [72-3-108](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345
- 191 [72-5-105](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345 and 355
- 192 [72-6-108](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 355
- 193 [73-5-14](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345
- 194 [73-10-32](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapter 90
- 195 [75-1-401](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 84, 345
- 196 [76-8-809](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 355
- 197 [78A-7-202](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapter 276

198 ENACTS:

- 199 [63G-28-101](#), Utah Code Annotated 1953
- 200 [63G-28-102](#), Utah Code Annotated 1953

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202 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

203 Section 1. Section [4-17-109](#) is amended to read:

204 **4-17-109. Notice of noxious weeds to be published annually in county -- Notice to**  
205 **particular property owners to control noxious weeds -- Methods of prevention or control**  
206 **specified -- Failure to control noxious weeds considered public nuisance.**

207 (1) Each county weed control board before May 1 of each year shall post a general  
208 notice of the noxious weeds within the county [~~in at least three public places within the county~~]  
209 and publish the [~~same~~] notice [~~on~~]:

210 (a) [~~at least three occasions in a newspaper or other publication of general circulation~~  
211 ~~within~~] for the county, as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least seven days;

212 and

213 (b) as required in Section 45-1-101.

214 (2) (a) If the county weed control board determines that particular property within the  
215 county requires prompt and definite attention to prevent or control noxious weeds, the county  
216 weed control board shall serve the owner or the person in possession of the property, personally  
217 or by certified mail, a notice specifying when and what action is required to be taken on the  
218 property.

219 (b) Methods of prevention or control may include definite systems of tillage, cropping,  
220 use of chemicals, and use of livestock.

221 (3) An owner or person in possession of property who fails to take action to control or  
222 prevent the spread of noxious weeds as specified in the notice is maintaining a public nuisance.

223 Section 2. Section 4-25-201 is amended to read:

224 **4-25-201. Possession of estrays -- Determination and location of owner -- Sale --**  
225 **Disposition of proceeds -- Notice -- Title of purchaser -- Immunity from liability.**

226 (1) (a) Except as provided in Section 4-25-202, a county shall:

- 227 (i) take physical possession of an estray the county finds within county boundaries;
- 228 (ii) attempt to determine the name and location of the estray's owner; and
- 229 (iii) contact the local brand inspector.

230 (b) The department shall assist a county that requests its help in determining the name  
231 and location of the owner or other person responsible for the estray.

232 (c) (i) Notwithstanding the requirements of Title 67, Chapter 4a, Revised Uniform  
233 Unclaimed Property Act, if the county cannot determine the estray's owner, or, if having  
234 determined ownership, neither the county nor the department is able to locate the owner within  
235 a reasonable period of time, the estray shall be sold at a livestock or other appropriate market.

236 (ii) The proceeds of a sale under Subsection (1)(c)(i), less the costs described in  
237 Subsection (1)(c)(iii), shall be paid to the county selling the estray.

238 (iii) The livestock or other market conducting the sale under Subsection (1)(c)(i) may  
239 deduct the cost of feed, transportation, and other market costs from the proceeds of the sale.

240 (2) A county shall publish notice of the sale of an estray[:(a) at least once 10 days  
241 before the date of the sale; and(b) through electronic means or in a publication with general  
242 circulation] within the county where the estray was taken into custody, as a class A notice

243 under Section 63G-28-102, for at least 10 days before the date of the sale.

244 (3) A purchaser of an estray sold under this section shall receive title to the estray free  
245 and clear of all claims of the estray's owner and a person claiming title through the owner.

246 (4) A county that complies with the provisions of this section is immune from liability  
247 for the sale of an estray sold at a livestock or other appropriate market.

248 (5) Notwithstanding the requirements of Subsection (1)(c), a county may employ a  
249 licensed veterinarian to euthanize an estray if the licensed veterinarian determines that the  
250 estray's physical condition prevents the estray from being sold.

251 Section 3. Section 4-25-401 is amended to read:

252 **4-25-401. Impounded livestock -- Determination and location of owner -- Sale --**  
253 **Disposition of proceeds -- Notice -- Title of purchaser -- Immunity from liability.**

254 (1) As used in this section, "impounded livestock" means the following animals seized  
255 and retained in legal custody:

256 (a) cattle;

257 (b) calves;

258 (c) horses;

259 (d) mules;

260 (e) sheep;

261 (f) goats;

262 (g) hogs; or

263 (h) domesticated elk.

264 (2) (a) A county may:

265 (i) take physical possession of impounded livestock seized and retained within its  
266 boundaries; and

267 (ii) attempt to determine the name and location of the impounded livestock's owner.

268 (b) The department shall assist a county who requests help in locating the name and  
269 location of the owner or other person responsible for the impounded livestock.

270 (c) (i) Notwithstanding the requirements of Title 67, Chapter 4a, Revised Uniform  
271 Unclaimed Property Act, if the county cannot determine ownership of the impounded livestock,  
272 or, if having determined ownership, neither the county nor the department is able to locate the  
273 owner within a reasonable period of time, the impounded livestock shall be sold at a livestock

274 or other appropriate market.

275 (ii) The proceeds of a sale under Subsection (2)(c)(i), less the costs described in  
276 Subsection (2)(c)(iii), shall be paid to the State School Fund created by the Utah Constitution,  
277 Article X, Section 5, Subsection (1).

278 (iii) The livestock or other market conducting the sale under Subsection (2)(c)(i) may  
279 deduct the cost of feed, transportation, and other market costs from the proceeds of the sale.

280 (3) A county shall publish the intended sale of the impounded livestock~~[(a) at least 10~~  
281 ~~days before the date of sale; and (b) through electronic means or in a publication with general~~  
282 ~~circulation]~~ within the county where the impounded livestock was taken into custody, as a class  
283 A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at least 10 days before the date of the sale.

284 (4) A purchaser of impounded livestock sold under this section shall receive title to the  
285 impounded livestock free and clear of all claims of the livestock's owner or a person claiming  
286 title through the owner.

287 (5) If a county complies with the provisions of this section, the county is immune from  
288 liability for the sale of impounded livestock sold at a livestock or other appropriate market.

289 (6) Notwithstanding the requirements of Subsection (2)(c), a county may employ a  
290 licensed veterinarian to euthanize an impounded livestock if the licensed veterinarian  
291 determines that the impounded livestock's physical condition prevents the impounded livestock  
292 from being sold.

293 Section 4. Section **4-30-106** is amended to read:

294 **4-30-106. Hearing on license application -- Notice of hearing.**

295 (1) Upon the filing of an application, the department shall set a time for hearing on the  
296 application in the city or town nearest the proposed site of the livestock market and cause  
297 notice of the time and place of the hearing together with a copy of the application to be  
298 forwarded by mail, not less than 15 days before the hearing date, to the following:

299 (a) each licensed livestock market operator within the state; and

300 (b) each livestock or other interested association or group of persons in the state that  
301 has filed written notice with the department requesting receipt of notice of such hearings.

302 (2) Notice of the hearing shall be published for 14 days before the scheduled hearing  
303 date[;], as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for the city or town where the hearing is  
304 scheduled.

305 ~~[(a) in a daily or weekly newspaper of general circulation within the city or town where~~  
306 ~~the hearing is scheduled; and]~~

307 ~~[(b) on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601;]~~

308 Section 5. Section 7-1-706 is amended to read:

309 **7-1-706. Application to commissioner to exercise power -- Procedure -- Notice.**

310 (1) Except as provided in Sections 7-1-704 and 7-1-705, by filing a request for agency  
311 action with the commissioner, any person may request the commissioner to:

312 (a) issue any rule or order;

313 (b) exercise any powers granted to the commissioner under this title; or

314 (c) act on any matter that is subject to the approval of the commissioner.

315 (2) Within 10 days of receipt of the request, the commissioner shall, at the applicant's  
316 expense, cause a supervisor to make a careful investigation of the facts relevant or material to  
317 the request.

318 (3) (a) The supervisor shall submit written findings and recommendations to the  
319 commissioner.

320 (b) The application, any additional information furnished by the applicant, and the  
321 findings and recommendations of the supervisor may be inspected by any person at the office  
322 of the commissioner, except those portions of the application or report that the commissioner  
323 designates as confidential to prevent a clearly unwarranted invasion of privacy.

324 (4) (a) If a hearing is held concerning the request, the commissioner shall publish  
325 notice of the hearing, at the applicant's expense[:], for the county where the applicant is  
326 located, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for three weeks before the date of the  
327 hearing.

328 ~~[(i) in a newspaper of general circulation within the county where the applicant is~~  
329 ~~located at least once a week for three successive weeks before the date of the hearing; and]~~

330 ~~[(ii) on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601, for three weeks~~  
331 ~~before the date of the hearing;]~~

332 (b) The notice required by Subsection (4)(a) shall include the information required by  
333 the department's rules.

334 (c) The commissioner shall act upon the request within 30 days after the close of the  
335 hearing, based on the record before the commissioner.

336 (5) (a) If no hearing is held, the commissioner shall approve or disapprove the request  
337 within 90 days of receipt of the request based on:

- 338 (i) the application;
- 339 (ii) additional information filed with the commissioner; and
- 340 (iii) the findings and recommendations of the supervisor.

341 (b) The commissioner shall act on the request by issuing findings of fact, conclusions,  
342 and an order, and shall mail a copy of each to:

- 343 (i) the applicant;
- 344 (ii) all persons who have filed protests to the granting of the application; and
- 345 (iii) other persons that the commissioner considers should receive copies.

346 (6) The commissioner may impose any conditions or limitations on the approval or  
347 disapproval of a request that the commissioner considers proper to:

- 348 (a) protect the interest of creditors, depositors, and other customers of an institution;
- 349 (b) protect its shareholders or members; and
- 350 (c) carry out the purposes of this title.

351 Section 6. Section 7-2-6 is amended to read:

352 **7-2-6. Possession by commissioner -- Notice -- Presentation, allowance, and**  
353 **disallowance of claims -- Objections to claims.**

354 (1) (a) Possession of an institution by the commissioner commences when notice of  
355 taking possession is:

- 356 (i) posted in each office of the institution located in this state; or
- 357 (ii) delivered to a controlling person or officer of the institution.

358 (b) All notices, records, and other information regarding possession of an institution by  
359 the commissioner may be kept confidential, and all court records and proceedings relating to  
360 the commissioner's possession may be sealed from public access if:

- 361 (i) the commissioner finds it is in the best interests of the institution and its depositors  
362 not to notify the public of the possession by the commissioner;
- 363 (ii) the deposit and withdrawal of funds and payment to creditors of the institution is  
364 not suspended, restricted, or interrupted; and
- 365 (iii) the court approves.

366 (2) (a) (i) Within 15 days after taking possession of an institution or other person under

367 the jurisdiction of the department, the commissioner shall publish a notice to all persons who  
368 may have claims against the institution or other person to file proof of their claims with the  
369 commissioner before a date specified in the notice.

370 (ii) The filing date shall be at least 90 days after the date of the first publication of the  
371 notice.

372 (iii) The notice shall be published:

373 (A) for at least 90 days, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for each city or  
374 county in which the institution or other person, or any subsidiary or service corporation of the  
375 institution, maintains an office; and

376 ~~[(F) in a newspaper of general circulation in each city or county in which the institution~~  
377 ~~or other person, or any subsidiary or service corporation of the institution, maintains an office;~~  
378 ~~and]~~

379 ~~[(H) published again approximately 30 days and 60 days after the date of the first~~  
380 ~~publication; and]~~

381 (B) as required in Section 45-1-101 for 60 days.

382 (b) (i) Within 60 days of taking possession of a depository institution, the  
383 commissioner shall send a similar notice to all persons whose identity is reflected in the books  
384 or records of the institution as depositors or other creditors, secured or unsecured, parties to  
385 litigation involving the institution pending at the date the commissioner takes possession of the  
386 institution, and all other potential claimants against the institution whose identity is reasonably  
387 ascertainable by the commissioner from examination of the books and records of the  
388 institution. No notice is required in connection with accounts or other liabilities of the  
389 institution that will be paid in full or be fully assumed by another depository institution or trust  
390 company. The notice shall specify a filing date for claims against the institution not less than  
391 60 days after the date of mailing. Claimants whose claims against the institution have been  
392 assumed by another depository institution or trust company pursuant to a merger or purchase  
393 and assumption agreement with the commissioner, or a federal deposit insurance agency  
394 appointed as receiver or liquidator of the institution, shall be notified of the assumption of their  
395 claims and the name and address of the assuming party within 60 days after the claim is  
396 assumed. Unless a purchase and assumption or merger agreement requires otherwise, the  
397 assuming party shall give all required notices. Notice shall be mailed to the address appearing

398 in the books and records of the institution.

399 (ii) Inadvertent or unintentional failure to mail a notice to any person entitled to written  
400 notice under this paragraph does not impose any liability on the commissioner or any receiver  
401 or liquidator appointed by him beyond the amount the claimant would be entitled to receive if  
402 the claim had been timely filed and allowed. The commissioner or any receiver or liquidator  
403 appointed by him are not liable for failure to mail notice unless the claimant establishes that it  
404 had no knowledge of the commissioner taking possession of the institution until after all  
405 opportunity had passed for obtaining payment through filing a claim with the commissioner,  
406 receiver, or liquidator.

407 (c) Upon good cause shown, the court having supervisory jurisdiction may extend the  
408 time in which the commissioner may serve any notice required by this chapter.

409 (d) The commissioner has the sole power to adjudicate any claim against the  
410 institution, its property or other assets, tangible or intangible, and to settle or compromise  
411 claims within the priorities set forth in Section 7-2-15. Any action of the commissioner is  
412 subject to judicial review as provided in Subsection (9).

413 (e) A receiver or liquidator of the institution appointed by the commissioner has all the  
414 duties, powers, authority, and responsibilities of the commissioner under this section. All  
415 claims against the institution shall be filed with the receiver or liquidator within the applicable  
416 time specified in this section and the receiver or liquidator shall adjudicate the claims as  
417 provided in Subsection (2)(d).

418 (f) The procedure established in this section is the sole remedy of claimants against an  
419 institution or its assets in the possession of the commissioner.

420 (3) With respect to a claim which appears in the books and records of an institution or  
421 other person in the possession of the commissioner as a secured claim, which, for purposes of  
422 this section is a claim that constitutes an enforceable, perfected lien, evidenced in writing, on  
423 the assets or other property of the institution:

424 (a) The commissioner shall allow or disallow each secured claim filed on or before the  
425 filing date within 30 days after receipt of the claim and shall notify each secured claimant by  
426 certified mail or in person of the basis for, and any conditions imposed on, the allowance or  
427 disallowance.

428 (b) For all allowed secured claims, the commissioner shall be bound by the terms,

429 covenants, and conditions relating to the assets or other property subject to the claim, as set  
430 forth in the note, bond, or other security agreement which evidences the secured claim, unless  
431 the commissioner has given notice to the claimant of his intent to abandon the assets or other  
432 property subject to the secured claim at the time the commissioner gave the notice described in  
433 Subsection (3)(a).

434 (c) No petition for lifting the stay provided by Section 7-2-7 may be filed with respect  
435 to a secured claim before the claim has been filed and allowed or disallowed by the  
436 commissioner in accordance with Subsection (3)(a).

437 (4) With respect to all other claims other than secured claims:

438 (a) Each claim filed on or before the filing date shall be allowed or disallowed within  
439 180 days after the final publication of notice.

440 (b) If notice of disallowance is not served upon the claimant by the commissioner  
441 within 210 days after the date of final publication of notice, the claim is considered disallowed.

442 (c) The rights of claimants and the amount of a claim shall be determined as of the date  
443 the commissioner took possession of the institution under this chapter. Claims based on  
444 contractual obligations of the institution in existence on the date of possession may be allowed  
445 unless the obligation of the institution is dependent on events occurring after the date of  
446 possession, or the amount or worth of the claim cannot be determined before any distribution  
447 of assets of the institution is made to claimants having the same priority under Section 7-2-15.

448 (d) (i) An unliquidated claim against the institution, including claims based on alleged  
449 torts for which the institution would have been liable on the date the commissioner took  
450 possession of the institution and any claims for a right to an equitable remedy for breach of  
451 performance by the institution, may be filed in an estimated amount. The commissioner may  
452 disallow or allow the claim in an amount determined by the commissioner, settle the claim in  
453 an amount approved by the court, or, in his discretion, refer the claim to the court designated by  
454 Section 7-2-2 for determination in accordance with procedures designated by the court. If the  
455 institution held on the date of possession by the commissioner a policy of insurance that would  
456 apply to the liability asserted by the claimant, the commissioner, or any receiver appointed by  
457 him may assign to the claimant all rights of the institution under the insurance policy in full  
458 satisfaction of the claim.

459 (ii) If the commissioner finds there are or may be issues of fact or law as to the validity

460 of a claim, liquidated or unliquidated, or its proper allowance or disallowance under the  
461 provisions of this chapter, he may appoint a hearing examiner to conduct a hearing and to  
462 prepare and submit recommended findings of fact and conclusions of law for final  
463 consideration by the commissioner. The hearing shall be conducted as provided in rules or  
464 regulations issued by the commissioner. The decision of the commissioner shall be based on  
465 the record before the hearing examiner and information the commissioner considers relevant  
466 and shall be subject to judicial review as provided in Subsection (9).

467 (e) A claim may be disallowed if it is based on actions or documents intended to  
468 deceive the commissioner or any receiver or liquidator appointed by him.

469 (f) The commissioner may defer payment of any claim filed on behalf of a person who  
470 was at any time in control of the institution within the meaning of Section 7-1-103, pending the  
471 final determination of all claims of the institution against that person.

472 (g) The commissioner or any receiver appointed by him may disallow a claim that  
473 seeks a dollar amount if it is determined by the court having jurisdiction under Section 7-2-2  
474 that the commissioner or receiver or conservator will not have any assets with which to pay the  
475 claim under the priorities established by Section 7-2-15.

476 (h) The commissioner may adopt rules to establish such alternative dispute resolution  
477 processes as may be appropriate for the resolution of claims filed against an institution under  
478 this chapter.

479 (i) In establishing alternative dispute resolution processes, the commissioner shall  
480 strive for procedures that are expeditious, fair, independent, and low cost. The commissioner  
481 shall seek to develop incentives for claimants to participate in the alternative dispute resolution  
482 process.

483 (j) The commissioner may establish both binding and nonbinding processes, which  
484 may be conducted by any government or private party, but all parties, including the claimant  
485 and the commissioner or any receiver appointed by him, must agree to the use of the process in  
486 a particular case.

487 (5) (a) Claims filed after the filing date are disallowed, unless:

488 (i) the claimant who did not file his claim timely demonstrates that he did not have  
489 notice or actual knowledge of the proceedings in time to file a timely proof of claim; and

490 (ii) proof of the claim was filed prior to the last distribution of assets. For the purpose

491 of this subsection only, late filed claims may be allowed if proof was filed before the final  
492 distribution of assets of the institution to claimants of the same priority and are payable only  
493 out of the remaining assets of the institution.

494 (b) A late filed claim may be disallowed under any other provision of this section.

495 (6) Debts owing to the United States or to any state or its subdivisions as a penalty or  
496 forfeiture are not allowed, except for the amount of the pecuniary loss sustained by the act,  
497 transaction, or proceeding out of which the penalty or forfeiture arose.

498 (7) Except as otherwise provided in Subsection 7-2-15(1)(a), interest accruing on any  
499 claim after the commissioner has taken possession of an institution or other person under this  
500 chapter may be disallowed.

501 (8) (a) A claim against an institution or its assets based on a contract or agreement may  
502 be disallowed unless the agreement:

503 (i) is in writing;

504 (ii) is otherwise a valid and enforceable contract; and

505 (iii) has continuously, from the time of its execution, been an official record of the  
506 institution.

507 (b) The requirements of this Subsection (8) do not apply to claims for goods sold or  
508 services rendered to an institution in the ordinary course of business by trade creditors who do  
509 not customarily use written agreements or other documents.

510 (9) (a) Objection to any claim allowed or disallowed may be made by any depositor or  
511 other claimant by filing a written objection with the commissioner within 30 days after service  
512 of the notice of allowance or disallowance. The commissioner shall present the objection to  
513 the court for hearing and determination upon written notice to the claimant and to the filing  
514 party. The notice shall set forth the time and place of hearing. After the 30-day period, no  
515 objection may be filed. This Subsection (9) does not apply to secured claims allowed under  
516 Subsection (3).

517 (b) The hearing shall be based on the record before the commissioner and any  
518 additional evidence the court allowed to provide the parties due process of law.

519 (c) The court may not reverse or otherwise modify the determination of the  
520 commissioner with respect to the claim unless it finds the determination of the commissioner to  
521 be arbitrary, capricious, or otherwise contrary to law. The burden of proof is on the party

522 objecting to the determination of the commissioner.

523 (d) An appeal from any final judgment of the court with respect to a claim may be  
524 taken as provided by law by the claimant, the commissioner, or any person having standing to  
525 object to the allowance or disallowance of the claim.

526 (10) If a claim against the institution has been asserted in any judicial, administrative,  
527 or other proceeding pending at the time the commissioner took possession of the institution  
528 under this chapter or under Chapter 19, Acquisition of Failing Depository Institutions or  
529 Holding Companies, the claimant shall file copies of all documents of record in the pending  
530 proceeding with the commissioner within the time for filing claims as provided in Subsection  
531 (2). Such a claim shall be allowed or disallowed within 90 days of the receipt of the complete  
532 record of the proceedings. No application to lift the stay of a pending proceeding shall be filed  
533 until the claim has been allowed or disallowed. The commissioner may petition the court  
534 designated by Section 7-2-2 to lift the stay to determine whether the claim should be allowed or  
535 disallowed.

536 (11) All claims allowed by the commissioner and not disallowed or otherwise modified  
537 by the court under Subsection (9), if not paid within 30 days after allowance, shall be  
538 evidenced by a certificate payable only out of the assets of the institution in the possession of  
539 the commissioner, subject to the priorities set forth in Section 7-2-15. This provision does not  
540 apply to a secured claim allowed by the commissioner under Subsection (3)(a).

541 Section 7. Section 8-5-6 is amended to read:

542 **8-5-6. Alternative council or board procedures for notice -- Termination of rights**  
543 **-- Notice.**

544 (1) As an alternative to the procedures set forth in Sections 8-5-1 through 8-5-4, a  
545 municipal council or cemetery maintenance district board may pass a resolution demanding  
546 that the owner of a lot, site, or portion of the cemetery, which has been unused for burial  
547 purposes for more than 60 years, file with the county recorder, city recorder, or town clerk  
548 notice of any claim to the lot, site, or portion of the cemetery.

549 (2) The municipal council or cemetery maintenance district board shall then cause a  
550 copy of the resolution to be personally served on the owner in the same manner as personal  
551 service of process in a civil action. The resolution shall notify the owner that the owner shall,  
552 within 60 days after service of the resolution on the owner, express interest in maintaining the

553 cemetery lot, site, or portion of the cemetery and submit satisfactory evidence of an intention to  
554 use the lot, site, or portion of the cemetery for a burial.

555 (3) If the owner cannot be personally served with the resolution of the municipal  
556 council or cemetery maintenance district board as required in Subsection (2), the municipal  
557 council or cemetery maintenance district board shall:

558 (a) publish ~~[its resolution on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section~~  
559 63A-16-601] the resolution for the municipality or cemetery maintenance district, as a class A  
560 notice under Section 63G-28-102, for three weeks; and

561 (b) mail a copy of the resolution within 14 days after the publication to the owner's last  
562 known address, if available.

563 (4) If, for 30 days after the last date of service or publication of the municipal council's  
564 or cemetery maintenance district board's resolution, the owner or person with a legal interest in  
565 the cemetery lot fails to state a valid interest in the use of the cemetery lot, site, or portion of  
566 the cemetery for burial purposes, the owner's rights are terminated and that portion of the  
567 cemetery shall be vested in the municipality or cemetery maintenance district.

568 Section 8. Section **9-8-805** is amended to read:

569 **9-8-805. Collecting institutions -- Perfecting title -- Notice.**

570 (1) (a) A collecting institution wishing to perfect title in any repositied materials held by  
571 it shall send, by registered mail, a notice containing the information required by Subsection (2)  
572 to the last-known address of the last-known owner of the property.

573 (b) In addition to the requirements of Subsection (1)(a), a collecting institution shall  
574 publish a notice containing the information required by Subsection (2) if:

575 (i) the owner or the address of the owner of the repositied materials is unknown;

576 (ii) the mailed notice is returned to the collecting institution without a forwarding  
577 address; or

578 (iii) the owner does not claim the repositied materials within 90 days after the day on  
579 which the notice was mailed.

580 (c) If required to publish a notice under Subsection (1)(b), the collecting institution~~;~~  
581 ~~in accordance with Section 45-1-101;~~ shall publish the notice for two weeks:

582 (i) ~~[at least once per week for two consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general~~  
583 ~~circulation in]~~ for the county where the collecting institution is located, as a class A notice

584 under Section [63G-28-102](#); and

585 ~~[(ii) on the public legal notice website for at least two weeks]~~

586 (ii) as required in Section [45-1-101](#).

587 (2) Each notice required by this section shall include:

588 (a) the name, if known, and the last-known address, if any, of the last-known owner of  
589 the repositied materials;

590 (b) a description of the repositied materials;

591 (c) the name of the collecting institution that has possession of the repositied materials  
592 and a person within that institution whom the owner may contact; and

593 (d) a statement that if the repositied materials are not claimed within 90 days from the  
594 day on which the notice is published in accordance with Subsection (1)(b), the repositied  
595 materials are considered abandoned and become the property of the collecting institution.

596 (3) If no one claims repositied materials within 90 days after the day on which notice is  
597 published in accordance with Subsection (1)(b), the repositied materials are considered  
598 abandoned and are the property of the collecting institution.

599 Section 9. Section **10-2-406** is amended to read:

600 **10-2-406. Notice of certification -- Providing notice of petition.**

601 (1) After receipt of the notice of certification from the city recorder or town clerk under  
602 Subsection [10-2-405](#)(2)(c)(i), the municipal legislative body shall provide notice:

603 (a) ~~[within] for~~ the area proposed for annexation and the unincorporated area within  
604 1/2 mile of the area proposed for annexation, as a class B notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), no  
605 later than 10 days after the day on which the municipal legislative body receives the notice of  
606 certification[:]; and

607 ~~[(i) by posting one notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population~~  
608 ~~within the combined area, in places within the combined area that are most likely to give notice~~  
609 ~~to the residents within, and the owners of real property located within, the combined area,~~  
610 ~~subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or]~~

611 ~~[(ii) by mailing the notice to each residence within, and to each owner of real property~~  
612 ~~located within, the combined area;]~~

613 ~~[(b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section~~  
614 ~~[63A-16-601](#), for three weeks, beginning no later than 10 days after the day on which the~~

615 ~~municipal legislative body receives the notice of certification;]~~

616       ~~[(e)]~~ (b) within 20 days after the day on which the municipal legislative body receives  
617 the notice of certification, by mailing written notice to each affected entity~~[-and].~~

618       ~~[(d) if the municipality has a website, by posting notice on the municipality's website  
619 for the period of time described in Subsection (1)(b).]~~

620       (2) The notice described in Subsection (1) shall:

621       (a) state that a petition has been filed with the municipality proposing the annexation of  
622 an area to the municipality;

623       (b) state the date of the municipal legislative body's receipt of the notice of certification  
624 under Subsection 10-2-405(2)(c)(i);

625       (c) describe the area proposed for annexation in the annexation petition;

626       (d) state that the complete annexation petition is available for inspection and copying at  
627 the office of the city recorder or town clerk;

628       (e) state in conspicuous and plain terms that the municipality may grant the petition  
629 and annex the area described in the petition unless, within the time required under Subsection  
630 10-2-407(2)(a)(i), a written protest to the annexation petition is filed with the commission and  
631 a copy of the protest delivered to the city recorder or town clerk of the proposed annexing  
632 municipality;

633       (f) state the address of the commission or, if a commission has not yet been created in  
634 the county, the county clerk, where a protest to the annexation petition may be filed;

635       (g) state that the area proposed for annexation to the municipality will also  
636 automatically be annexed to a local district providing fire protection, paramedic, and  
637 emergency services or a local district providing law enforcement service, as the case may be, as  
638 provided in Section 17B-1-416, if:

639       (i) the proposed annexing municipality is entirely within the boundaries of a local  
640 district:

641       (A) that provides fire protection, paramedic, and emergency services or law  
642 enforcement service, respectively; and

643       (B) in the creation of which an election was not required because of Subsection  
644 17B-1-214(3)(c); and

645       (ii) the area proposed to be annexed to the municipality is not already within the

646 boundaries of the local district; and

647 (h) state that the area proposed for annexation to the municipality will be automatically  
648 withdrawn from a local district providing fire protection, paramedic, and emergency services or  
649 a local district providing law enforcement service, as the case may be, as provided in  
650 Subsection 17B-1-502(2), if:

651 (i) the petition proposes the annexation of an area that is within the boundaries of a  
652 local district:

653 (A) that provides fire protection, paramedic, and emergency services or law  
654 enforcement service, respectively; and

655 (B) in the creation of which an election was not required because of Subsection  
656 17B-1-214(3)(c); and

657 (ii) the proposed annexing municipality is not within the boundaries of the local  
658 district.

659 (3) (a) The statement required by Subsection (2)(e) shall state the deadline for filing a  
660 written protest in terms of the actual date rather than by reference to the statutory citation.

661 (b) In addition to the requirements under Subsection (2), a notice under Subsection (1)  
662 for a proposed annexation of an area within a county of the first class shall include a statement  
663 that a protest to the annexation petition may be filed with the commission by property owners if  
664 it contains the signatures of the owners of private real property that:

665 (i) is located in the unincorporated area within 1/2 mile of the area proposed for  
666 annexation;

667 (ii) covers at least 25% of the private land area located in the unincorporated area  
668 within 1/2 mile of the area proposed for annexation; and

669 (iii) is equal in value to at least 15% of all real property located in the unincorporated  
670 area within 1/2 mile of the area proposed for annexation.

671 Section 10. Section 10-2-407 is amended to read:

672 **10-2-407. Protest to annexation petition -- Planning advisory area planning**  
673 **commission recommendation -- Petition requirements -- Disposition of petition if no**  
674 **protest filed -- Public hearing and notice.**

675 (1) A protest to an annexation petition under Section 10-2-403 may only be filed by:

676 (a) the legislative body or governing board of an affected entity;

- 677 (b) an owner of rural real property;
- 678 (c) for a proposed annexation of an area within a county of the first class, an owner of  
679 private real property that:
- 680 (i) is located in the unincorporated area within 1/2 mile of the area proposed for  
681 annexation;
- 682 (ii) covers at least 25% of the private land area located in the unincorporated area  
683 within 1/2 mile of the area proposed for annexation; and
- 684 (iii) is equal in value to at least 15% of all real property located in the unincorporated  
685 area within 1/2 mile of the area proposed for annexation; or
- 686 (d) an owner of private real property located in a mining protection area.
- 687 (2) Each protest under Subsection (1) shall:
- 688 (a) be filed:
- 689 (i) no later than 30 days after the municipal legislative body's receipt of the notice of  
690 certification under Subsection 10-2-405(2)(c)(i); and
- 691 (ii) (A) in a county that has already created a commission under Section 10-2-409, with  
692 the commission; or
- 693 (B) in a county that has not yet created a commission under Section 10-2-409, with the  
694 clerk of the county in which the area proposed for annexation is located;
- 695 (b) state each reason for the protest of the annexation petition and, if the area proposed  
696 to be annexed is located in a specified county, justification for the protest under the standards  
697 established in this chapter;
- 698 (c) if the area proposed to be annexed is located in a specified county, contain other  
699 information that the commission by rule requires or that the party filing the protest considers  
700 pertinent; and
- 701 (d) contain the name and address of a contact person who is to receive notices sent by  
702 the commission with respect to the protest proceedings.
- 703 (3) The party filing a protest under this section shall on the same date deliver or mail a  
704 copy of the protest to the city recorder or town clerk of the proposed annexing municipality.
- 705 (4) Each clerk who receives a protest under Subsection (2)(a)(ii)(B) shall:
- 706 (a) immediately notify the county legislative body of the protest; and
- 707 (b) deliver the protest to the boundary commission within five days after:

708 (i) receipt of the protest, if the boundary commission has previously been created; or  
709 (ii) creation of the boundary commission under Subsection 10-2-409(1)(b), if the  
710 boundary commission has not previously been created.

711 (5) (a) If a protest is filed under this section:

712 (i) the municipal legislative body may, at its next regular meeting after expiration of  
713 the deadline under Subsection (2)(a)(i), deny the annexation petition; or

714 (ii) if the municipal legislative body does not deny the annexation petition under  
715 Subsection (5)(a)(i), the municipal legislative body may take no further action on the  
716 annexation petition until after receipt of the commission's notice of its decision on the protest  
717 under Section 10-2-416.

718 (b) If a municipal legislative body denies an annexation petition under Subsection  
719 (5)(a)(i), the municipal legislative body shall, within five days after the denial, send notice of  
720 the denial in writing to:

721 (i) the contact sponsor of the annexation petition;

722 (ii) the commission; and

723 (iii) each entity that filed a protest.

724 (6) If no timely protest is filed under this section, the municipal legislative body may,  
725 subject to Subsection (7), approve the petition.

726 (7) Before approving an annexation petition under Subsection (6), the municipal  
727 legislative body shall hold a public hearing and provide notice of the public hearing[:] by  
728 publishing the notice for the municipality and the area proposed for annexation, as a class B  
729 notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at least seven days before the date of the public hearing.

730 ~~[(a) (i) at least seven days before the day of the public hearing, by posting one notice,~~  
731 ~~and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population within the municipality and the area~~  
732 ~~proposed for annexation, in places within that combined area that are most likely to give notice~~  
733 ~~to the residents within, and the owners of real property located within, the combined area,~~  
734 ~~subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or]~~

735 ~~[(ii) at least 10 days before the day of the public hearing, by mailing the notice to each~~  
736 ~~residence within, and to each owner of real property located within, the combined area~~  
737 ~~described in Subsection (7)(a)(i);]~~

738 ~~[(b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section~~

739 ~~63A-16-601, for seven days before the day of the public hearing; and]~~

740 ~~[(c) if the municipality has a website, by posting notice on the municipality's website~~  
741 ~~for seven days before the day of the public hearing.]~~

742 (8) (a) Subject to Subsection (8)(b), only a person or entity that is described in  
743 Subsection (1) has standing to challenge an annexation in district court.

744 (b) A person or entity described in Subsection (1) may only bring an action in district  
745 court to challenge an annexation if the person or entity has timely filed a protest as described in  
746 Subsection (2) and exhausted the administrative remedies described in this section.

747 Section 11. Section **10-2-415** is amended to read:

748 **10-2-415. Public hearing -- Notice.**

749 (1) (a) If the results of the feasibility study or supplemental feasibility study meet the  
750 requirements of Subsection **10-2-416**(3) with respect to a proposed annexation of an area  
751 located in a county of the first class, the commission shall hold a public hearing within 30 days  
752 after the day on which the commission receives the feasibility study or supplemental feasibility  
753 study results.

754 (b) At the public hearing described in Subsection (1)(a), the commission shall:

755 (i) require the feasibility consultant to present the results of the feasibility study and, if  
756 applicable, the supplemental feasibility study;

757 (ii) allow those present to ask questions of the feasibility consultant regarding the study  
758 results; and

759 (iii) allow those present to speak to the issue of annexation.

760 (2) The commission shall provide notice of the public hearing described in Subsection  
761 (1)(a) ~~[within]~~ for the area proposed for annexation, the surrounding 1/2 mile of unincorporated  
762 area, and the proposed annexing municipality[:], as a class B notice under Section **63G-28-102**,  
763 for at least two weeks before the date of the public hearing.

764 ~~[(a) (i) at least two weeks before the day of the public hearing, by posting one notice,~~  
765 ~~and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population within the combined area, in places~~  
766 ~~within the combined area that are most likely to give notice of the public hearing to the~~  
767 ~~residents within, and the owners of real property located within, the combined area, subject to a~~  
768 ~~maximum of 10 notices; or]~~

769 ~~[(ii) by mailing notice to each residence within, and to each owner of real property~~

770 ~~located within, the combined area;]~~

771 ~~[(b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section~~  
772 ~~63A-16-601, for two weeks before the day of the public hearing;]~~

773 ~~[(c) by sending written notice of the public hearing to the municipal legislative body of~~  
774 ~~the proposed annexing municipality, the contact sponsor on the annexation petition, each entity~~  
775 ~~that filed a protest, and, if a protest was filed under Subsection 10-2-407(1)(c), the contact~~  
776 ~~person;]~~

777 ~~[(d) if the municipality has a website, by posting notice on the municipality's website~~  
778 ~~for two weeks before the day of the public hearing; and]~~

779 ~~[(e) by posting notice on the county's website for two weeks before the day of the~~  
780 ~~public hearing.]~~

781 (3) The notice described in Subsection (2) shall:

782 (a) be entitled, "notice of annexation hearing";

783 (b) state the name of the annexing municipality;

784 (c) describe the area proposed for annexation; and

785 (d) specify the following sources where an individual may obtain a copy of the  
786 feasibility study conducted in relation to the proposed annexation:

787 (i) if the municipality has a website, the municipality's website;

788 (ii) a municipality's physical address; and

789 (iii) a mailing address and telephone number.

790 (4) Within 30 days after the time under Subsection 10-2-407(2) for filing a protest has  
791 expired with respect to a proposed annexation of an area located in a specified county, the  
792 boundary commission shall hold a hearing on all protests that were filed with respect to the  
793 proposed annexation.

794 (5) ~~[At]~~ For at least 14 days before the date of a hearing described in Subsection (4),  
795 the commission chair shall provide notice of the hearing[:], for the area proposed for  
796 annexation, as a class B notice under Section 63G-28-102.

797 ~~[(a) (i) by posting one notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population~~  
798 ~~within the area proposed for annexation, in places within the area that are most likely to give~~  
799 ~~notice of the hearing to the residents within, and the owners of real property located within, the~~  
800 ~~area, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or]~~

801 ~~[(ii) by mailing notice to each resident within, and each owner of real property located~~  
802 ~~within, the area proposed for annexation;]~~

803 ~~[(b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section~~  
804 ~~63A-16-601, for 14 days before the day of the hearing;]~~

805 ~~[(c) if the municipality has a website, by posting notice on the municipality's website~~  
806 ~~for two weeks before the day of the public hearing; and]~~

807 ~~[(d) by posting notice on the county's website for two weeks before the day of the~~  
808 ~~public hearing.]~~

809 (6) Each notice described in Subsection (5) shall:

810 (a) state the date, time, and place of the hearing;

811 (b) briefly summarize the nature of the protest; and

812 (c) state that a copy of the protest is on file at the commission's office.

813 (7) The commission may continue a hearing under Subsection (4) from time to time,  
814 but no continued hearing may be held later than 60 days after the original hearing date.

815 (8) In considering protests, the commission shall consider whether the proposed  
816 annexation:

817 (a) complies with the requirements of Sections 10-2-402 and 10-2-403 and the  
818 annexation policy plan of the proposed annexing municipality;

819 (b) conflicts with the annexation policy plan of another municipality; and

820 (c) if the proposed annexation includes urban development, will have an adverse tax  
821 consequence on the remaining unincorporated area of the county.

822 (9) (a) The commission shall record each hearing under this section by electronic  
823 means.

824 (b) A transcription of the recording under Subsection (9)(a), the feasibility study, if  
825 applicable, information received at the hearing, and the written decision of the commission  
826 shall constitute the record of the hearing.

827 Section 12. Section 10-2-418 is amended to read:

828 **10-2-418. Annexation of an island or peninsula without a petition -- Notice --**  
829 **Hearing.**

830 (1) As used in Subsection (2)(b)(ii), for purposes of an annexation conducted in  
831 accordance with this section of an area located within a county of the first class,

832 "municipal-type services" does not include a service provided by a municipality pursuant to a  
833 contract that the municipality has with another political subdivision as "political subdivision" is  
834 defined in Section 17B-1-102.

835 (2) Notwithstanding Subsection 10-2-402(2), a municipality may annex an  
836 unincorporated area under this section without an annexation petition if:

837 (a) for an unincorporated area within the expansion area of more than one municipality,  
838 each municipality agrees to the annexation; and

839 (b) (i) (A) the area to be annexed consists of one or more unincorporated islands within  
840 or unincorporated peninsulas contiguous to the municipality;

841 (B) the majority of each island or peninsula consists of residential or commercial  
842 development;

843 (C) the area proposed for annexation requires the delivery of municipal-type services;  
844 and

845 (D) the municipality has provided most or all of the municipal-type services to the area  
846 for more than one year;

847 (ii) (A) the area to be annexed consists of one or more unincorporated islands within or  
848 unincorporated peninsulas contiguous to the municipality, each of which has fewer than 800  
849 residents; and

850 (B) the municipality has provided one or more municipal-type services to the area for  
851 at least one year;

852 (iii) the area consists of:

853 (A) an unincorporated island within or an unincorporated peninsula contiguous to the  
854 municipality; and

855 (B) for an area outside of the county of the first class proposed for annexation, no more  
856 than 50 acres; or

857 (iv) (A) the area to be annexed consists only of one or more unincorporated islands in a  
858 county of the second class;

859 (B) the area to be annexed is located in the expansion area of a municipality; and

860 (C) the county legislative body in which the municipality is located provides notice to  
861 each property owner within the area to be annexed that the county legislative body will hold a  
862 public hearing, no less than 15 days after the day on which the county legislative body provides

863 the notice, and may make a recommendation of annexation to the municipality whose  
864 expansion area includes the area to be annexed after the public hearing.

865 (3) Notwithstanding Subsection 10-2-402(1)(b)(iii), a municipality may annex a  
866 portion of an unincorporated island or unincorporated peninsula under this section, leaving  
867 unincorporated the remainder of the unincorporated island or unincorporated peninsula, if:

868 (a) in adopting the resolution under Subsection (5)(a) the municipal legislative body  
869 determines that not annexing the entire unincorporated island or unincorporated peninsula is in  
870 the municipality's best interest; and

871 (b) for an annexation of one or more unincorporated islands under Subsection (2)(b),  
872 the entire island of unincorporated area, of which a portion is being annexed, complies with the  
873 requirement of Subsection (2)(b)(ii) relating to the number of residents.

874 (4) (a) This Subsection (4) applies only to an annexation within a county of the first  
875 class.

876 (b) A county of the first class shall agree to an annexation if the majority of private  
877 property owners within the area to be annexed give written consent to the annexation, in  
878 accordance with Subsection (4)(d), to the recorder of the annexing municipality.

879 (c) For purposes of Subsection (4)(b), the majority of private property owners is  
880 property owners who own:

881 (i) the majority of the total private land area within the area proposed for annexation;  
882 and

883 (ii) private real property equal to at least 1/2 the value of private real property within  
884 the area proposed for annexation.

885 (d) A property owner consenting to annexation shall indicate the property owner's  
886 consent on a form which includes language in substantially the following form:

887 "Notice: If this written consent is used to proceed with an annexation of your property  
888 in accordance with Utah Code Section 10-2-418, no public election is required by law to  
889 approve the annexation. If you sign this consent and later decide you do not want to support  
890 the annexation of your property, you may withdraw your signature by submitting a signed,  
891 written withdrawal with the recorder or clerk of [name of annexing municipality]. If you  
892 choose to withdraw your signature, you must do so no later than the close of the public hearing  
893 on the annexation conducted in accordance with Utah Code Subsection 10-2-418(4)(d)."

894 (e) A private property owner may withdraw the property owner's signature indicating  
895 consent by submitting a signed, written withdrawal with the recorder or clerk no later than the  
896 close of the public hearing held in accordance with Subsection (5)(b).

897 (5) The legislative body of each municipality intending to annex an area under this  
898 section shall:

899 (a) adopt a resolution indicating the municipal legislative body's intent to annex the  
900 area, describing the area proposed to be annexed; and

901 (b) hold a public hearing on the proposed annexation no earlier than 30 days after the  
902 adoption of the resolution described in Subsection (5)(a).

903 (6) A legislative body described in Subsection (5) shall provide notice of a public  
904 hearing described in Subsection (5)(b):

905 (a) ~~[(f)]~~ for at least three weeks before the day of the public hearing, ~~[by posting one~~  
906 ~~notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population in]~~ for the municipality and the  
907 area proposed for annexation, ~~[in places within the combined area that are most likely to give~~  
908 ~~notice to the residents within, and the owners of real property located within, the combined~~  
909 ~~area, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or]~~ as a class B notice under Section [63G-28-102](#);  
910 and

911 ~~[(ii) at least three weeks before the day of the public hearing, by mailing notice to each~~  
912 ~~residence within, and each owner of real property located within, the combined area described~~  
913 ~~in Subsection (6)(a)(i);]~~

914 ~~[(b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section~~  
915 ~~[63A-16-601](#), for three weeks before the day of the public hearing;]~~

916 ~~[(c)]~~ (b) by sending written notice to:

917 (i) the board of each local district and special service district whose boundaries contain  
918 some or all of the area proposed for annexation; and

919 (ii) the legislative body of the county in which the area proposed for annexation is  
920 located~~;~~ and.

921 ~~[(d) if the municipality has a website, by posting notice on the municipality's website~~  
922 ~~for three weeks before the day of the public hearing;]~~

923 (7) The legislative body of the annexing municipality shall ensure that:

924 (a) each notice described in Subsection (6):

925 (i) states that the municipal legislative body has adopted a resolution indicating the  
926 municipality's intent to annex the area proposed for annexation;

927 (ii) states the date, time, and place of the public hearing described in Subsection (5)(b);  
928 (iii) describes the area proposed for annexation; and

929 (iv) except for an annexation that meets the requirements of Subsection (8)(b) or (c),  
930 states in conspicuous and plain terms that the municipal legislative body will annex the area  
931 unless, at or before the public hearing described in Subsection (5)(b), written protests to the  
932 annexation are filed by the owners of private real property that:

933 (A) is located within the area proposed for annexation;  
934 (B) covers a majority of the total private land area within the entire area proposed for  
935 annexation; and

936 (C) is equal in value to at least 1/2 the value of all private real property within the  
937 entire area proposed for annexation; and

938 (b) the first publication of the notice described in Subsection (6)(a) occurs within 14  
939 days after the day on which the municipal legislative body adopts a resolution under Subsection  
940 (5)(a).

941 (8) (a) Except as provided in Subsections (8)(b)(i) and (8)(c)(i), upon conclusion of the  
942 public hearing described in Subsection (5)(b), the municipal legislative body may adopt an  
943 ordinance approving the annexation of the area proposed for annexation under this section  
944 unless, at or before the hearing, written protests to the annexation have been filed with the  
945 recorder or clerk of the municipality by the owners of private real property that:

946 (i) is located within the area proposed for annexation;  
947 (ii) covers a majority of the total private land area within the entire area proposed for  
948 annexation; and

949 (iii) is equal in value to at least 1/2 the value of all private real property within the  
950 entire area proposed for annexation.

951 (b) (i) Notwithstanding Subsection (8)(a), upon conclusion of the public hearing  
952 described in Subsection (5)(b), a municipality may adopt an ordinance approving the  
953 annexation of the area proposed for annexation under this section without allowing or  
954 considering protests under Subsection (8)(a) if the owners of at least 75% of the total private  
955 land area within the entire area proposed for annexation, representing at least 75% of the value

956 of the private real property within the entire area proposed for annexation, have consented in  
957 writing to the annexation.

958 (ii) Upon the effective date under Section 10-2-425 of an annexation approved by an  
959 ordinance adopted under Subsection (8)(b)(i), the area annexed is conclusively presumed to be  
960 validly annexed.

961 (c) (i) Notwithstanding Subsection (8)(a), upon conclusion of the public hearing  
962 described in Subsection (5)(b), a municipality may adopt an ordinance approving the  
963 annexation of an area that the county legislative body proposes for annexation under this  
964 section without allowing or considering protests under Subsection (8)(a) if the county  
965 legislative body has formally recommended annexation to the annexing municipality and has  
966 made a formal finding that:

967 (A) the area to be annexed can be more efficiently served by the municipality than by  
968 the county;

969 (B) the area to be annexed is not likely to be naturally annexed by the municipality in  
970 the future as the result of urban development;

971 (C) annexation of the area is likely to facilitate the consolidation of overlapping  
972 functions of local government; and

973 (D) annexation of the area is likely to result in an equitable distribution of community  
974 resources and obligations.

975 (ii) The county legislative body may base the finding required in Subsection  
976 (8)(c)(i)(B) on:

977 (A) existing development in the area;

978 (B) natural or other conditions that may limit the future development of the area; or

979 (C) other factors that the county legislative body considers relevant.

980 (iii) A county legislative body may make the recommendation for annexation required  
981 in Subsection (8)(c)(i) for only a portion of an unincorporated island if, as a result of  
982 information provided at the public hearing, the county legislative body makes a formal finding  
983 that it would be equitable to leave a portion of the island unincorporated.

984 (iv) If a county legislative body has made a recommendation of annexation under  
985 Subsection (8)(c)(i):

986 (A) the relevant municipality is not required to proceed with the recommended

987 annexation; and

988 (B) if the relevant municipality proceeds with annexation, the municipality shall annex  
989 the entire area that the county legislative body recommended for annexation.

990 (v) Upon the effective date under Section 10-2-425 of an annexation approved by an  
991 ordinance adopted under Subsection (8)(c)(i), the area annexed is conclusively presumed to be  
992 validly annexed.

993 (9) (a) Except as provided in Subsections (8)(b)(i) and (8)(c)(i), if protests are timely  
994 filed under Subsection (8)(a), the municipal legislative body may not adopt an ordinance  
995 approving the annexation of the area proposed for annexation, and the annexation proceedings  
996 under this section shall be considered terminated.

997 (b) Subsection (9)(a) does not prohibit the municipal legislative body from excluding  
998 from a proposed annexation under Subsection (2)(b) the property within an unincorporated  
999 island regarding which protests have been filed and proceeding under Subsection (3) to annex  
1000 some or all of the remaining portion of the unincorporated island.

1001 Section 13. Section 10-2-419 is amended to read:

1002 **10-2-419. Boundary adjustment -- Notice and hearing -- Protest.**

1003 (1) The legislative bodies of two or more municipalities having common boundaries  
1004 may adjust their common boundaries as provided in this section.

1005 (2) The legislative body of each municipality intending to adjust a boundary that is  
1006 common with another municipality shall:

1007 (a) adopt a resolution indicating the intent of the municipal legislative body to adjust a  
1008 common boundary; and

1009 (b) hold a public hearing on the proposed adjustment no less than 60 days after the  
1010 adoption of the resolution under Subsection (2)(a).

1011 (3) A legislative body described in Subsection (2) shall provide notice of a public  
1012 hearing described in Subsection (2)(b):

1013 ~~[(a) (i) at least three weeks before the day of the public hearing, by posting one notice,~~  
1014 ~~and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population of the municipality, in places within the~~  
1015 ~~municipality that are most likely to give notice to residents of the municipality, subject to a~~  
1016 ~~maximum of 10 notices; or]~~

1017 ~~[(ii) at least three weeks before the day of the public hearing, by mailing notice to each~~

1018 residence in the municipality;]

1019 [~~(b)~~ by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section

1020 ~~63A-16-601~~, for three weeks before the day of the public hearing;]

1021 (a) for the municipality, as a class B notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at least three

1022 weeks before the day of the public hearing; and

1023 [~~(c)~~] (b) if the proposed boundary adjustment may cause any part of real property  
1024 owned by the state to be within the geographic boundary of a different local governmental  
1025 entity than before the adjustment, by providing written notice, at least 50 days before the day of  
1026 the public hearing, to:

1027 (i) the title holder of any state-owned real property described in this Subsection [~~(3)~~]~~(d)~~

1028 (3)(b); and

1029 (ii) the Utah State Developmental Center Board, created under Section ~~62A-5-202.5~~, if  
1030 any state-owned real property described in this Subsection [~~(3)~~]~~(d)~~ (3)(b) is associated with the  
1031 Utah State Developmental Center[; ~~and~~].

1032 [~~(d) if the municipality has a website, by posting notice on the municipality's website~~  
1033 ~~for three weeks before the day of the public hearing.~~]

1034 (4) The notice described in Subsection (3) shall:

1035 (a) state that the municipal legislative body has adopted a resolution indicating the  
1036 municipal legislative body's intent to adjust a boundary that the municipality has in common  
1037 with another municipality;

1038 (b) describe the area proposed to be adjusted;

1039 (c) state the date, time, and place of the public hearing described in Subsection (2)(b);

1040 (d) state in conspicuous and plain terms that the municipal legislative body will adjust  
1041 the boundaries unless, at or before the public hearing described in Subsection (2)(b), a written  
1042 protest to the adjustment is filed by:

1043 (i) an owner of private real property that:

1044 (A) is located within the area proposed for adjustment;

1045 (B) covers at least 25% of the total private land area within the area proposed for  
1046 adjustment; and

1047 (C) is equal in value to at least 15% of the value of all private real property within the  
1048 area proposed for adjustment; or

1049 (ii) a title holder of state-owned real property described in Subsection ~~[(3)(d)]~~ (3)(b);

1050 (e) state that the area that is the subject of the boundary adjustment will, because of the

1051 boundary adjustment, be automatically annexed to a local district providing fire protection,

1052 paramedic, and emergency services or a local district providing law enforcement service, as the

1053 case may be, as provided in Section [17B-1-416](#), if:

1054 (i) the municipality to which the area is being added because of the boundary

1055 adjustment is entirely within the boundaries of a local district:

1056 (A) that provides fire protection, paramedic, and emergency services or law

1057 enforcement service, respectively; and

1058 (B) in the creation of which an election was not required because of Subsection

1059 [17B-1-214](#)(3)(c); and

1060 (ii) the municipality from which the area is being taken because of the boundary

1061 adjustment is not within the boundaries of the local district; and

1062 (f) state that the area proposed for annexation to the municipality will be automatically

1063 withdrawn from a local district providing fire protection, paramedic, and emergency services,

1064 as provided in Subsection [17B-1-502](#)(2), if:

1065 (i) the municipality to which the area is being added because of the boundary

1066 adjustment is not within the boundaries of a local district:

1067 (A) that provides fire protection, paramedic, and emergency services; and

1068 (B) in the creation of which an election was not required because of Subsection

1069 [17B-1-214](#)(3)(c); and

1070 (ii) the municipality from which the area is being taken because of the boundary

1071 adjustment is entirely within the boundaries of the local district.

1072 (5) Upon conclusion of the public hearing described in Subsection (2)(b), the

1073 municipal legislative body may adopt an ordinance approving the adjustment of the common

1074 boundary unless, at or before the hearing described in Subsection (2)(b), a written protest to the

1075 adjustment is filed with the city recorder or town clerk by a person described in Subsection

1076 ~~[(3)(c)(i) or (ii)]~~ (3)(b)(i) or (ii).

1077 (6) The municipal legislative body shall comply with the requirements of Section

1078 [10-2-425](#) as if the boundary adjustment were an annexation.

1079 (7) (a) An ordinance adopted under Subsection (5) becomes effective when each

1080 municipality involved in the boundary adjustment has adopted an ordinance under Subsection  
1081 (5).

1082 (b) The effective date of a boundary adjustment under this section is governed by  
1083 Section 10-2-425.

1084 Section 14. Section 10-2-501 is amended to read:

1085 **10-2-501. Municipal disconnection -- Definitions -- Request for disconnection --**  
1086 **Requirements upon filing request -- Notice.**

1087 (1) As used in this part "petitioner" means:

1088 (a) one or more persons who:

1089 (i) own title to real property within the area proposed for disconnection; and

1090 (ii) sign a request for disconnection proposing to disconnect the area proposed for  
1091 disconnection from the municipality; or

1092 (b) the mayor of the municipality within which the area proposed for disconnection is  
1093 located who signs a request for disconnection proposing to disconnect the area proposed for  
1094 disconnection from the municipality.

1095 (2) (a) A petitioner proposing to disconnect an area within and lying on the borders of a  
1096 municipality shall file with that municipality's legislative body a request for disconnection.

1097 (b) Each request for disconnection shall:

1098 (i) contain the names, addresses, and signatures of the owners of more than 50% of any  
1099 private real property in the area proposed for disconnection;

1100 (ii) give the reasons for the proposed disconnection;

1101 (iii) include a map or plat of the territory proposed for disconnection; and

1102 (iv) designate between one and five persons with authority to act on the petitioner's  
1103 behalf in the proceedings.

1104 (3) Upon ~~[filing the]~~ receiving a request for disconnection, ~~[the petitioner]~~ a municipal  
1105 legislative body shall publish notice of the request:

1106 ~~[(a) (i) once a week for three consecutive weeks before the public hearing described in~~  
1107 ~~Section 10-2-502.5 in a newspaper of general circulation within the municipality; or]~~

1108 ~~[(ii) if there is no newspaper of general circulation in the municipality, at least three~~  
1109 ~~weeks before the day of the public hearing described in Section 10-2-502.5, by posting one~~  
1110 ~~notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population of the municipality, in places~~

1111 ~~within the municipality that are most likely to give notice to the residents within, and the~~  
 1112 ~~owners of real property located within, the municipality, including the residents who live in the~~  
 1113 ~~area proposed for disconnection;]~~

1114 ~~[(b) on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section [63A-16-601](#), for three weeks~~  
 1115 ~~before the day of the public hearing described in Section [10-2-502.5](#);~~]

1116 ~~[(c)]~~ (a) in accordance with the legal notice requirements described in Section  
 1117 [45-1-101](#), for three weeks before the day of the public hearing described in Section [10-2-502.5](#);  
 1118 and

1119 (b) for the area proposed to be disconnected, as a class B notice under Section  
 1120 [63G-28-102](#), for at least three weeks before the day of the public hearing described in Section  
 1121 [10-2-502.5](#).

1122 ~~[(d) by mailing notice to each:]~~

1123 ~~[(i) owner of real property located within the area proposed to be disconnected; and]~~

1124 ~~[(ii) residence within the area proposed to be disconnected;]~~

1125 ~~[(e) by delivering a copy of the request to the legislative body of the county in which~~  
 1126 ~~the area proposed for disconnection is located; and]~~

1127 ~~[(f) if the municipality has a website, on the municipality's website for three weeks~~  
 1128 ~~before the day of the public hearing.]~~

1129 (4) A municipal legislative body may bill the petitioner for the cost of preparing,  
 1130 printing, and publishing the notice required under Subsection (3).

1131 Section 15. Section [10-2-502.5](#) is amended to read:

1132 **[10-2-502.5. Hearing on request for disconnection -- Notice -- Determination by](#)**  
 1133 **[municipal legislative body -- Petition in district court.](#)**

1134 (1) No sooner than three weeks after notice is provided under Subsection [10-2-501](#)(3),  
 1135 the legislative body of the municipality in which the area proposed for disconnection is located  
 1136 shall hold a public hearing.

1137 (2) The municipal legislative body shall provide notice of the public hearing:

1138 (a) at least seven days before the hearing date, in writing to the petitioner and to the  
 1139 legislative body of the county in which the area proposed for disconnection is located; and

1140 (b) for the municipality, as a class B notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least 10  
 1141 days before the hearing date.

1142 ~~[(b) (i) at least seven days before the hearing date, by posting one notice, and at least~~  
1143 ~~one additional notice per 2,000 population of the municipality, in places within the~~  
1144 ~~municipality that are most likely to give notice to residents within, and the owners of real~~  
1145 ~~property located within, the municipality, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or]~~

1146 ~~[(ii) at least 10 days before the hearing date, by mailing notice to each residence within,~~  
1147 ~~and each owner of real property located within, the municipality;]~~

1148 ~~[(c) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section~~  
1149 ~~63A-16-601, for seven days before the hearing date; and]~~

1150 ~~[(d) if the municipality has a website, by posting notice on the municipality's website~~  
1151 ~~for seven days before the hearing date.]~~

1152 (3) In the public hearing, any person may speak and submit documents regarding the  
1153 disconnection proposal.

1154 (4) Within 45 calendar days of the hearing, the municipal legislative body shall:

1155 (a) determine whether to grant the request for disconnection; and

1156 (b) if the municipality determines to grant the request, adopt an ordinance approving  
1157 disconnection of the area from the municipality.

1158 (5) (a) A petition against the municipality challenging the municipal legislative body's  
1159 determination under Subsection (4) may be filed in district court by:

1160 (i) the petitioner; or

1161 (ii) the county in which the area proposed for disconnection is located.

1162 (b) Each petition under Subsection (5)(a) shall include a copy of the request for  
1163 disconnection.

1164 Section 16. Section ~~10-2-607~~ is amended to read:

1165 **10-2-607. Notice of election.**

1166 If the county legislative bodies find that the resolution or petition for consolidation and  
1167 their attachments substantially conform with the requirements of this part, the county  
1168 legislative bodies shall, for at least four weeks before the day of the election, publish notice of  
1169 the election for consolidation ~~[to the voters of]~~, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102,  
1170 for each municipality that would become part of the consolidated municipality[:].

1171 ~~[(1) (a) at least four weeks before the day of the election, by posting one notice, and at~~  
1172 ~~least one additional notice per 2,000 population of the municipality, in places within the~~

1173 municipality that are most likely to give notice to the voters in the municipality; or]  
1174 [~~(b) at least four weeks before the day of the election, by mailing notice to each~~  
1175 ~~registered voter in the municipality;~~]  
1176 [~~(2) on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section [63A-16-601](#), for at least four~~  
1177 ~~weeks before the day of the election; and]~~  
1178 [~~(3) if the municipality has a website, on the municipality's website for at least four~~  
1179 ~~weeks before the day of the election.~~]

1180 Section 17. Section **10-2-703** is amended to read:

1181 **10-2-703. Providing notice of election.**

1182 (1) Immediately after setting the date for the election, the court shall order for notice to  
1183 be provided of the:

1184 (a) petition; and

1185 (b) date the election is to be held to determine the question of dissolution.

1186 (2) The notice described in Subsection (1) shall be provided[~~:~~] for the municipality, as  
1187 a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least one month before the day of the  
1188 election.

1189 [~~(a) (i) at least four weeks before the day of the election, by posting one notice, and at~~  
1190 ~~least one additional notice per 2,000 population of the municipality, in places within the~~  
1191 ~~municipality that are most likely to give notice to the voters in the municipality, subject to a~~  
1192 ~~maximum of 10 notices; or]~~

1193 [~~(ii) at least one month before the day of the election, by mailing notice to each~~  
1194 ~~registered voter in the municipality;~~]

1195 [~~(b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section~~  
1196 ~~[63A-16-601](#), for four weeks before the day of the election; and]~~

1197 [~~(c) if the municipality has a website, by posting notice on the municipality's website~~  
1198 ~~for four weeks before the day of the election.~~]

1199 Section 18. Section **10-2-708** is amended to read:

1200 **10-2-708. Notice of disincorporation.**

1201 When a municipality has been dissolved, the clerk of the court shall provide notice of  
1202 the dissolution[~~:~~] for the county, as a class B notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least four  
1203 weeks.

1204 ~~[(1) (a) by posting one notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population of~~  
1205 ~~the county in places within the county that are most likely to give notice to the residents within,~~  
1206 ~~and the owners of real property located within, the county, including the residents and owners~~  
1207 ~~within the municipality that is dissolved, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or]~~

1208 ~~[(b) by mailing notice to each residence within, and each owner of real property located~~  
1209 ~~within, the county;]~~

1210 ~~[(2) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section~~  
1211 ~~63A-16-601, for four weeks;]~~

1212 ~~[(3) if the municipality has a website, by posting notice on the municipality's website~~  
1213 ~~for four weeks; and]~~

1214 ~~[(4) by posting notice on the county's website for four weeks.]~~

1215 Section 19. Section **10-2a-207** is amended to read:

1216 **10-2a-207. Public hearings on feasibility study results -- Exclusions of property**  
1217 **from proposed municipality -- Notice of hearings.**

1218 (1) As used in this section, "specified landowner" means the same as that term is  
1219 defined in Section **10-2a-203**.

1220 (2) If the results of the feasibility study or supplemental feasibility study comply with  
1221 Subsection **10-2a-205(6)(a)**, the lieutenant governor shall, after receipt of the results of the  
1222 feasibility study or supplemental feasibility study, conduct two public hearings in accordance  
1223 with this section.

1224 (3) (a) If an area proposed for incorporation is approved for annexation after the  
1225 feasibility study or supplemental feasibility study is conducted but before the lieutenant  
1226 governor conducts the first public hearing under Subsection (4), the lieutenant governor may  
1227 not conduct the first public hearing under Subsection (4) unless:

1228 (i) the sponsors of the feasibility study file a modified request for a feasibility study in  
1229 accordance with Section **10-2a-206**; and

1230 (ii) the results of the supplemental feasibility study comply with Subsection  
1231 **10-2a-205(6)(a)**.

1232 (b) For purposes of Subsection (3)(a), an area is approved for annexation if a condition  
1233 described in Subsection **10-2a-206(1)(a)(iv)** occurs.

1234 (4) The lieutenant governor shall conduct the first public hearing:

1235 (a) within 60 days after the day on which the lieutenant governor receives the results  
1236 under Subsection (2) or (3)(a)(ii);

1237 (b) within or near the proposed municipality;

1238 (c) to allow the feasibility consultant to present the results of the feasibility study; and

1239 (d) to inform the public about the results of the feasibility study.

1240 (5) (a) Within 30 calendar days after the day on which the lieutenant governor  
1241 completes the first public hearing under Subsection (4), a specified landowner may request that  
1242 the lieutenant governor exclude all or part of the property owned by the specified landowner  
1243 from the proposed incorporation by filing a notice of exclusion with the Office of the  
1244 Lieutenant Governor that describes the property for which the specified landowner requests  
1245 exclusion.

1246 (b) The lieutenant governor shall exclude the property identified by a specified  
1247 landowner under Subsection (5)(a) from the proposed incorporation boundaries unless the  
1248 lieutenant governor finds by clear and convincing evidence that:

1249 (i) the exclusion will leave an unincorporated island within the proposed municipality;  
1250 and

1251 (ii) the property receives from the county a majority of currently provided municipal  
1252 services.

1253 (c) (i) Within five days after the day on which the lieutenant governor determines  
1254 whether to exclude property under Subsection (5)(b), the lieutenant governor shall mail or  
1255 transmit written notice of whether the property is included or excluded from the proposed  
1256 municipality to:

1257 (A) the specified landowner that requested the property's exclusion; and

1258 (B) the contact sponsor.

1259 (ii) If the lieutenant governor makes a determination to include a property under  
1260 Subsection (5)(b), the lieutenant governor shall include, in the written notice described in  
1261 Subsection (5)(c)(i), a detailed explanation of the lieutenant governor's determination.

1262 (d) (i) If the lieutenant governor excludes property from the proposed municipality  
1263 under Subsection (5)(b), or if an area proposed for incorporation is approved for annexation  
1264 within the time period for a specified landowner to request an exclusion under Subsection  
1265 (5)(a), the lieutenant governor may not conduct the second public hearing under Subsection (6),

1266 unless:

1267 (A) the sponsors of the feasibility study file a modified request for a feasibility study in  
1268 accordance with Section [10-2a-206](#); and

1269 (B) the results of the supplemental feasibility study comply with Subsection  
1270 [10-2a-205\(6\)\(a\)](#).

1271 (ii) For purposes of Subsection (5)(d)(i), an area is approved for annexation if a  
1272 condition described in Subsection [10-2a-206\(1\)\(a\)\(iv\)](#) occurs.

1273 (6) The lieutenant governor shall conduct the second public hearing:

1274 (a) (i) within 30 days after the day on which the time period described in Subsection  
1275 (5)(a) expires, if Subsection (5)(d) does not apply; or

1276 (ii) within 30 days after the day on which the lieutenant governor receives the results of  
1277 the supplemental feasibility study described in Subsection (5)(d)(i)(B), if Subsection (5)(d)  
1278 applies;

1279 (b) within or near the proposed municipality; and

1280 (c) to allow the feasibility consultant to present the results of and inform the public  
1281 about:

1282 (i) the feasibility study presented to the public in the first public hearing under  
1283 Subsection (4), if Subsection (5)(d) does not apply; or

1284 (ii) the supplemental feasibility study described in Subsection (5)(d)(i)(B), if  
1285 Subsection (5)(d) applies.

1286 (7) At each public hearing required under this section, the lieutenant governor shall:

1287 (a) provide a map or plat of the boundary of the proposed municipality;

1288 (b) provide a copy of the applicable feasibility study for public review;

1289 (c) allow members of the public to express views about the proposed incorporation,  
1290 including views about the proposed boundaries; and

1291 (d) allow the public to ask the feasibility consultant questions about the applicable  
1292 feasibility study.

1293 (8) The lieutenant governor shall publish notice of each public hearing required under  
1294 this section[?] for the proposed municipality, as a class B notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for  
1295 at least three weeks before the day of the public hearing.

1296 [~~(a) (i) at least three weeks before the day of the public hearing, by posting one notice,~~

1297 ~~and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population of the proposed municipality, in places~~  
 1298 ~~within the proposed municipality that are most likely to give notice to the residents within, and~~  
 1299 ~~the owners of real property located within, the proposed municipality; or]~~

1300 ~~[(ii) at least three weeks before the public hearing, by mailing notice to each residence~~  
 1301 ~~within, and each owner of real property located within, the proposed municipality;]~~

1302 ~~[(b) on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601, for three weeks~~  
 1303 ~~before the day of the public hearing; and]~~

1304 ~~[(c) on the lieutenant governor's website for three weeks before the day of the public~~  
 1305 ~~hearing;]~~

1306 (9) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (9)(b), the notice described in Subsection (8)  
 1307 shall:

1308 (i) include the feasibility study summary described in Subsection 10-2a-205(3)(c);

1309 (ii) indicate that a full copy of the study is available on the lieutenant governor's  
 1310 website and for inspection at the Office of the Lieutenant Governor; and

1311 (iii) indicate that under no circumstances may property be excluded or annexed from  
 1312 the proposed incorporation after the time period specified in Subsection (5)(a) has expired, if  
 1313 the notice is for the first public hearing under Subsection (4).

1314 (b) Instead of publishing the feasibility summary under Subsection (9)(a)(i), the  
 1315 lieutenant governor may publish a statement that specifies the following sources where a  
 1316 resident within, or the owner of real property located within, the proposed municipality, may  
 1317 view or obtain a copy of the feasibility study:

1318 (i) the lieutenant governor's website;

1319 (ii) the physical address of the Office of the Lieutenant Governor; and

1320 (iii) a mailing address and telephone number.

1321 Section 20. Section 10-2a-210 is amended to read:

1322 **10-2a-210. Incorporation election -- Notice of election -- Voter information**  
 1323 **pamphlet.**

1324 (1) (a) If the lieutenant governor certifies a petition under Subsection 10-2a-209(1)(b),  
 1325 the lieutenant governor shall schedule an incorporation election for the proposed municipality  
 1326 described in the petition to be held on the date of the next regular general election described in  
 1327 Section 20A-1-201, or the next municipal general election described in Section 20A-1-202, that

1328 is at least 65 days after the day on which the lieutenant governor certifies the petition.

1329 (b) (i) The lieutenant governor shall direct the county legislative body of the county in  
1330 which the proposed municipality is located to hold the election on the date that the lieutenant  
1331 governor schedules under Subsection (1)(a).

1332 (ii) The county shall hold the election as directed by the lieutenant governor under  
1333 Subsection (1)(b)(i).

1334 (2) The county clerk shall provide notice of the election[~~;~~] for the area proposed to be  
1335 incorporated, as a class B notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at least three weeks before the  
1336 day of the election.

1337 [~~(a) (i) by publishing notice in a newspaper of general circulation within the area~~  
1338 ~~proposed to be incorporated at least once a week for three successive weeks before the~~  
1339 ~~election;~~]

1340 [~~(ii) at least three weeks before the day of the election, by posting one notice, and at~~  
1341 ~~least one additional notice per 2,000 population of the area proposed to be incorporated, in~~  
1342 ~~places within the area proposed to be incorporated that are most likely to give notice to the~~  
1343 ~~voters within the area proposed to be incorporated, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or]~~

1344 [~~(iii) at least three weeks before the day of the election, by mailing notice to each~~  
1345 ~~registered voter in the area proposed to be incorporated;~~]

1346 [~~(b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section~~  
1347 ~~63A-16-601, for three weeks before the day of the election;~~]

1348 [~~(c) if the proposed municipality has a website, by posting notice on the proposed~~  
1349 ~~municipality's website for three weeks before the day of the election; and]~~

1350 [~~(d) by posting notice on the county's website for three weeks before the day of the~~  
1351 ~~election.~~]

1352 (3) (a) The notice required by Subsection (2) shall contain:

1353 (i) a statement of the contents of the petition;

1354 (ii) a description of the area proposed to be incorporated as a municipality;

1355 (iii) a statement of the date and time of the election and the location of polling places;

1356 and

1357 (iv) except as provided in Subsection (3)(b), the feasibility study summary described in  
1358 Subsection 10-2a-205(3)(c) and a statement that a full copy of the study is available on the

1359 lieutenant governor's website and for inspection at the Office of the Lieutenant Governor.

1360 (b) Instead of including the feasibility summary under Subsection (3)(a)(iv), the notice  
1361 may include a statement that specifies the following sources where a registered voter in the area  
1362 proposed to be incorporated may view or obtain a copy of the feasibility study:

- 1363 (i) the lieutenant governor's website;
- 1364 (ii) the physical address of the Office of the Lieutenant Governor; and
- 1365 (iii) a mailing address and telephone number.

1366 (4) (a) In addition to the notice required under Subsection (2), the county clerk shall  
1367 publish and distribute, before the incorporation election is held, a voter information pamphlet:

- 1368 (i) in accordance with the procedures and requirements of Section 20A-7-402;
- 1369 (ii) in consultation with the lieutenant governor; and
- 1370 (iii) in a manner that the county clerk determines is adequate, subject to Subsections

1371 (4)(a)(i) and (ii).

1372 (b) The voter information pamphlet described in Subsection (4)(a):

- 1373 (i) shall inform the public of the proposed incorporation; and
- 1374 (ii) may include written statements, printed in the same font style and point size, from  
1375 proponents and opponents of the proposed incorporation.

1376 (5) An individual may not vote in an incorporation election under this section unless  
1377 the individual is a registered voter who resides, as defined in Section 20A-1-102, within the  
1378 boundaries of the proposed municipality.

1379 (6) If a majority of those who vote in an incorporation election held under this section  
1380 cast votes in favor of incorporation, the area shall incorporate.

1381 Section 21. Section 10-2a-213 is amended to read:

1382 **10-2a-213. Determination of number of council members -- Determination of**  
1383 **election districts -- Hearings and notice.**

1384 (1) If the incorporation proposal passes, the petition sponsors shall, within 60 days  
1385 after the day on which the county conducts the canvass of the election under Section  
1386 10-2a-212:

- 1387 (a) for the incorporation of a city:
  - 1388 (i) if the voters at the incorporation election choose the council-mayor form of  
1389 government, determine the number of council members that will constitute the city council of

1390 the city; and

1391 (ii) if the voters at the incorporation election vote to elect council members by district,  
1392 determine the number of council members to be elected by district and draw the boundaries of  
1393 those districts, which shall be substantially equal in population; and

1394 (b) for the incorporation of any municipality:

1395 (i) determine the initial terms of the mayor and members of the municipal council so  
1396 that:

1397 (A) the mayor and approximately half the members of the municipal council are  
1398 elected to serve an initial term, of no less than one year, that allows the mayor's and members'  
1399 successors to serve a full four-year term that coincides with the schedule established in  
1400 Subsection 10-3-205(1); and

1401 (B) the remaining members of the municipal council are elected to serve an initial  
1402 term, of no less than one year, that allows the members' successors to serve a full four-year  
1403 term that coincides with the schedule established in Subsection 10-3-205(2); and

1404 (ii) submit in writing to the county legislative body the results of the determinations  
1405 made by the sponsors under Subsections (1)(a) and (b)(i).

1406 (2) A newly incorporated town shall operate under the five-member council form of  
1407 government as defined in Section 10-3b-102.

1408 (3) Before making a determination under Subsection (1)(a) or (b)(i), the petition  
1409 sponsors shall hold a public hearing within the future municipality on the applicable issues  
1410 described in Subsections (1)(a) and (b)(i).

1411 (4) The [~~petition sponsors shall~~] county clerk shall provide notice of the public hearing  
1412 described in Subsection (3):

1413 [~~(a) (i) at least two weeks before the day of the public hearing, by posting one notice,  
1414 and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population of the future municipality, in places  
1415 within the future municipality that are most likely to give notice to the residents within, and the  
1416 owners of real property located within, the future municipality, subject to a maximum of 10  
1417 notices; or]~~

1418 [~~(ii) at least two weeks before the day of the public hearing, by mailing notice to each  
1419 residence within, and each owner of real property located within, the future municipality;]~~

1420 [~~(b) (a) [by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section~~

1421 ~~63A-16-601;~~] for the future municipality, as a class B notice under Section 63G-28-102, for  
1422 two weeks before the day of the public hearing; and

1423 ~~[(e)]~~ (b) if the future municipality has a website, by posting notice on the future  
1424 municipality's website for two weeks before the day of the public hearing~~[, and].~~

1425 ~~[(d) by posting notice on the county's website for two weeks before the day of the~~  
1426 ~~public hearing.]~~

1427 (5) The county clerk may bill the petition sponsors for the cost of preparing, printing,  
1428 and publishing the notice described in Subsection (4).

1429 Section 22. Section **10-2a-214** is amended to read:

1430 **10-2a-214. Notice of number of commission or council members to be elected and**  
1431 **of district boundaries -- Declaration of candidacy for municipal office.**

1432 (1) Within 20 days after the day on which a county legislative body receives the  
1433 petition sponsors' determination under Subsection 10-2a-213(1)(b)(ii), the county clerk shall  
1434 provide a notice, in accordance with Subsection (2), containing:

1435 (a) the number of municipal council members to be elected for the new municipality;

1436 (b) except as provided in Subsection (3), if some or all of the municipal council  
1437 members are to be elected by district, a description of the boundaries of those districts;

1438 (c) information about the deadline for an individual to file a declaration of candidacy to  
1439 become a candidate for mayor or municipal council; and

1440 (d) information about the length of the initial term of each of the municipal officers.

1441 (2) The county clerk shall provide the notice described in Subsection (1)~~[:]~~ for the  
1442 future municipality, as a class B notice under Section 63G-28-102, for two weeks.

1443 ~~[(a) (i) by posting one notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population of~~  
1444 ~~the future municipality, in places within the future municipality that are most likely to give~~  
1445 ~~notice to the residents in the future municipality, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or]~~

1446 ~~[(ii) by mailing notice to each residence in the future municipality;]~~

1447 ~~[(b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section~~  
1448 ~~63A-16-601, for two weeks;]~~

1449 ~~[(c) if the future municipality has a website, by posting notice on the future~~  
1450 ~~municipality's website for two weeks; and]~~

1451 ~~[(d) by posting notice on the county's website for two weeks.]~~

1452 (3) Instead of including a description of the district boundaries under Subsection (1)(b),  
1453 the notice may include a statement that specifies the following sources where a resident of the  
1454 future municipality may view or obtain a copy of the district boundaries:

- 1455 (a) the county website;
- 1456 (b) the physical address of the county offices; and
- 1457 (c) a mailing address and telephone number.

1458 (4) Notwithstanding Subsection 20A-9-203(3)(a), each individual seeking to become a  
1459 candidate for mayor or municipal council of a municipality incorporating under this part shall  
1460 file a declaration of candidacy with the clerk of the county in which the future municipality is  
1461 located and in accordance with:

- 1462 (a) for an incorporation held on the date of a regular general election, the deadlines for  
1463 filing a declaration of candidacy under Section 20A-9-202; or
- 1464 (b) for an incorporation held on the date of a municipal general election, the deadlines  
1465 for filing a declaration of candidacy under Section 20A-9-203.

1466 Section 23. Section 10-2a-215 is amended to read:

1467 **10-2a-215. Election of officers of new municipality -- Primary and final election**  
1468 **dates -- Notice of election -- County clerk duties -- Candidate duties -- Occupation of**  
1469 **office.**

1470 (1) For the election of municipal officers, the county legislative body shall:

- 1471 (a) unless a primary election is prohibited under Subsection 20A-9-404(2), hold a  
1472 primary election; and
- 1473 (b) unless the election may be cancelled in accordance with Section 20A-1-206, hold a  
1474 final election.

1475 (2) Each election described in Subsection (1) shall be held:

1476 (a) consistent with the petition sponsors' determination of the length of each council  
1477 member's initial term; and

1478 (b) for the incorporation of a city:

1479 (i) appropriate to the form of government chosen by the voters at the incorporation  
1480 election;

1481 (ii) consistent with the voters' decision about whether to elect city council members by  
1482 district and, if applicable, consistent with the boundaries of those districts as determined by the

1483 petition sponsors; and

1484 (iii) consistent with the sponsors' determination of the number of city council members  
1485 to be elected.

1486 (3) (a) Subject to Subsection (3)(b), and notwithstanding Subsection 20A-1-201.5(2),  
1487 the primary election described in Subsection (1)(a) shall be held at the earliest of the next:

1488 (i) regular primary election described in Subsection 20A-1-201.5(1); or

1489 (ii) municipal primary election described in Section 20A-9-404.

1490 (b) The county shall hold the primary election, if necessary, on the next election date  
1491 described in Subsection (3)(a) that is after the incorporation election conducted under Section  
1492 10-2a-210.

1493 (4) (a) Subject to Subsection (4)(b), the county shall hold the final election described in  
1494 Subsection (1)(b):

1495 (i) on the following election date that next follows the date of the incorporation  
1496 election held under Subsection 10-2a-210(1)(a);

1497 (ii) a regular general election described in Section 20A-1-201; or

1498 (iii) a regular municipal general election under Section 20A-1-202.

1499 (b) The county shall hold the final election on the earliest of the next election date that  
1500 is listed in Subsection (4)(a)(i), (ii), or (iii):

1501 (i) that is after a primary election; or

1502 (ii) if there is no primary election, that is at least:

1503 (A) 75 days after the incorporation election under Section 10-2a-210; and

1504 (B) 65 days after the candidate filing period.

1505 (5) The county clerk shall provide notice of an election under this section[?] for the  
1506 future municipality, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at least two weeks  
1507 before the day of the election.

1508 [~~(a) (i) at least two weeks before the day of the election, by posting one notice, and at~~  
1509 ~~least one additional notice per 2,000 population of the future municipality, in places within the~~  
1510 ~~future municipality that are most likely to give notice to the voters within the future~~  
1511 ~~municipality, subject to a maximum of 10 notices, or]~~

1512 [~~(ii) at least two weeks before the day of the election, by mailing notice to each~~  
1513 ~~registered voter within the future municipality;]~~

1514 ~~[(b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section~~  
1515 ~~63A-16-601, for two weeks before the day of the election;]~~

1516 ~~[(c) if the future municipality has a website, by posting notice on the future~~  
1517 ~~municipality's website for two weeks before the day of the election; and]~~

1518 ~~[(d) by posting notice on the county's website for two weeks before the day of the~~  
1519 ~~election.]]~~

1520 (6) Until the municipality is incorporated, the county clerk:

1521 (a) is the election officer for all purposes related to the election of municipal officers;

1522 (b) may, as necessary, determine appropriate deadlines, procedures, and instructions  
1523 related to the election of municipal officers for a new municipality that are not otherwise  
1524 contrary to law;

1525 (c) shall require and determine deadlines for municipal office candidates to file  
1526 campaign financial disclosures in accordance with Section 10-3-208; and

1527 (d) shall ensure that the ballot for the election includes each office that is required to be  
1528 included in the election for officers of the newly incorporated municipality, including the term  
1529 of each office.

1530 (7) An individual who has filed as a candidate for an office described in this section  
1531 shall comply with:

1532 (a) the campaign finance disclosure requirements described in Section 10-3-208; and

1533 (b) the requirements and deadlines established by the county clerk under this section.

1534 (8) Notwithstanding Section 10-3-201, the officers elected at a final election described  
1535 in Subsection (4)(a) shall take office:

1536 (a) after taking the oath of office; and

1537 (b) at noon on the first Monday following the day on which the election official  
1538 transmits a certificate of nomination or election under the officer's seal to each elected  
1539 candidate in accordance with Subsection 20A-4-304(4)(b).

1540 Section 24. Section 10-2a-404 is amended to read:

1541 **10-2a-404. Election -- Notice.**

1542 (1) (a) Notwithstanding Section 20A-1-203, a county of the first class shall hold a local  
1543 special election on November 3, 2015, on the following ballot propositions:

1544 (i) for registered voters residing within a planning township:

1545 (A) whether the planning township shall be incorporated as a city or town, according to  
1546 the classifications of Section 10-2-301, or as a metro township; and

1547 (B) if the planning township incorporates as a metro township, whether the metro  
1548 township is included in a municipal services district; and

1549 (ii) for registered voters residing within an unincorporated island, whether the island  
1550 should maintain its unincorporated status or be annexed into an eligible city.

1551 (b) (i) A metro township incorporated under this part shall be governed by the  
1552 five-member council in accordance with Chapter 3b, Part 5, Metro Township Council Form of  
1553 Municipal Government.

1554 (ii) A city or town incorporated under this part shall be governed by the five-member  
1555 council form of government as defined in Section 10-3b-102.

1556 (2) Unless a person is a registered voter who resides, as defined in Section 20A-1-102,  
1557 within the boundaries of a planning township or an unincorporated island, the person may not  
1558 vote on the proposed incorporation or annexation.

1559 (3) The county clerk shall post notice of the election [~~on the Utah Public Notice~~  
1560 ~~Website, created in Section 63A-16-601;~~] for the planning township or unincorporated island,  
1561 as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for three weeks before the election date.

1562 (4) The notice required by Subsection (3) shall contain:

1563 (a) for residents of a planning township:

1564 (i) a statement that the voters will vote:

1565 (A) to incorporate as a city or town, according to the classifications of Section  
1566 10-2-301, or as a metro township; and

1567 (B) if the planning township incorporates as a metro township, whether the metro  
1568 township is included in a municipal services district;

1569 (ii) if applicable under Subsection 10-2a-405(5), a map showing the alteration to the  
1570 planning township boundaries that would be effective upon incorporation;

1571 (iii) a statement that if the residents of the planning township elect to incorporate:

1572 (A) as a metro township, the metro township shall be governed by a five-member  
1573 metro township council in accordance with Chapter 3b, Part 5, Metro Township Council Form  
1574 of Municipal Government; or

1575 (B) as a city or town, the city or town shall be governed by the five-member council

1576 form of government as defined in Section 10-3b-102; and

1577 (iv) a statement of the date and time of the election and the location of polling places;

1578 (b) for residents of an unincorporated island:

1579 (i) a statement that the voters will vote either to be annexed into an eligible city or

1580 maintain unincorporated status; and

1581 (ii) a statement of the eligible city, as determined by the county legislative body in  
1582 accordance with Section 10-2a-405, the unincorporated island may elect to be annexed by; and

1583 (c) a statement of the date and time of the election and the location of polling places.

1584 ~~[(5)(a) In addition to the notice required under Subsection (3), the county clerk shall~~  
1585 ~~post at least one notice of the election per 1,000 population in conspicuous places within the~~  
1586 ~~planning township or unincorporated island that are most likely to give notice of the election to~~  
1587 ~~the voters of the proposed incorporation or annexation, subject to a maximum of 10 notices.]~~

1588 ~~[(b) The clerk shall post the notices under Subsection (5)(a) at least seven days before~~  
1589 ~~the election under Subsection (1).]~~

1590 ~~[(6)] (5) (a)~~ In a planning township, if a majority of those casting votes within the  
1591 planning township vote to:

1592 (i) incorporate as a city or town, the planning township shall incorporate as a city or  
1593 town, respectively; or

1594 (ii) incorporate as a metro township, the planning township shall incorporate as a metro  
1595 township.

1596 (b) If a majority of those casting votes within the planning township vote to incorporate  
1597 as a metro township, and a majority of those casting votes vote to include the metro township  
1598 in a municipal services district and limit the metro township's municipal powers, the metro  
1599 township shall be included in a municipal services district and have limited municipal powers.

1600 (c) In an unincorporated island, if a majority of those casting a vote within the selected  
1601 unincorporated island vote to:

1602 (i) be annexed by the eligible city, the area shall be annexed by the eligible city; or

1603 (ii) remain an unincorporated area, the area shall remain unincorporated.

1604 ~~[(7)] (6)~~ The county shall, in consultation with interested parties, prepare and provide  
1605 information on an annexation or incorporation subject to this part and an election held in  
1606 accordance with this section.

1607 Section 25. Section **10-2a-405** is amended to read:

1608 **10-2a-405. Duties of county legislative body -- Public hearing -- Notice -- Other**  
1609 **election and incorporation issues -- Rural real property excluded.**

1610 (1) The legislative body of a county of the first class shall before an election described  
1611 in Section [10-2a-404](#):

1612 (a) in accordance with Subsection (3), provide notice of the public hearing described in  
1613 Subsection (1)(b);

1614 (b) hold a public hearing; and

1615 (c) at the public hearing, adopt a resolution:

1616 (i) identifying, including a map prepared by the county surveyor, all unincorporated  
1617 islands within the county;

1618 (ii) identifying each eligible city that will annex each unincorporated island, including  
1619 whether the unincorporated island may be annexed by one eligible city or divided and annexed  
1620 by multiple eligible cities, if approved by the residents at an election under Section [10-2a-404](#);  
1621 and

1622 (iii) identifying, including a map prepared by the county surveyor, the planning  
1623 townships within the county and any changes to the boundaries of a planning township that the  
1624 county legislative body proposes under Subsection (5).

1625 (2) The county legislative body shall exclude from a resolution adopted under  
1626 Subsection (1)(c) rural real property unless the owner of the rural real property provides written  
1627 consent to include the property in accordance with Subsection (7).

1628 (3) (a) The county clerk shall provide notice of the public hearing described in  
1629 Subsection (1)(b)[:] for the unincorporated island or planning township, as a class B notice  
1630 under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least 15 days before the day of the public hearing.

1631 [~~(i) by mailing notice to each owner of real property located in an unincorporated~~  
1632 ~~island or planning township no later than 15 days before the day of the public hearing;]~~

1633 [~~(ii) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section~~  
1634 ~~[63A-16-601](#), for three weeks before the day of the public hearing; and]~~

1635 [~~(iii) by posting at least one notice of the hearing per 1,000 population in conspicuous~~  
1636 ~~places within the selected unincorporated island, eligible city, or planning township, as~~  
1637 ~~applicable, that are most likely to give notice of the hearing to the residents of the~~

1638 unincorporated island, eligible city, or planning township, subject to a maximum of 10  
1639 notices.]

1640 [~~(b)~~ The clerk shall post the notices under Subsection (3)(a)(iii) at least seven days  
1641 before the hearing under Subsection (1)(b).]

1642 [~~(c)~~] (b) The notice under Subsection (3)(a) shall include:

1643 (i) (A) for a resident of an unincorporated island, a statement that the property in the  
1644 unincorporated island may be, if approved at an election under Section 10-2a-404, annexed by  
1645 an eligible city, including divided and annexed by multiple cities if applicable, and the name of  
1646 the eligible city or cities; or

1647 (B) for residents of a planning township, a statement that the property in the planning  
1648 township shall be, pending the results of the election held under Section 10-2a-404,  
1649 incorporated as a city, town, or metro township;

1650 (ii) the location and time of the public hearing; and

1651 (iii) the county website where a map may be accessed showing:

1652 (A) how the unincorporated island boundaries will change if annexed by an eligible  
1653 city; or

1654 (B) how the planning township area boundaries will change, if applicable under  
1655 Subsection (5), when the planning township incorporates as a metro township or as a city or  
1656 town.

1657 [~~(d)~~] (c) The county clerk shall publish a map described in Subsection [~~(3)(c)(iii)~~]  
1658 (3)(b)(iii) on the county website.

1659 (4) The county legislative body may, by ordinance or resolution adopted at a public  
1660 meeting and in accordance with applicable law, resolve an issue that arises with an election  
1661 held in accordance with this part or the incorporation and establishment of a metro township in  
1662 accordance with this part.

1663 (5) (a) The county legislative body may, by ordinance or resolution adopted at a public  
1664 meeting, change the boundaries of a planning township.

1665 (b) A change to a planning township boundary under this Subsection (5) is effective  
1666 only upon the vote of the residents of the planning township at an election under Section  
1667 10-2a-404 to incorporate as a metro township or as a city or town and does not affect the  
1668 boundaries of the planning township before the election.

- 1669 (c) The county legislative body:
- 1670 (i) may alter a planning township boundary under Subsection (5)(a) only if the
- 1671 alteration:
- 1672 (A) affects less than 5% of the residents residing within the planning advisory area; and
- 1673 (B) does not increase the area located within the planning township's boundaries; and
- 1674 (ii) may not alter the boundaries of a planning township whose boundaries are entirely
- 1675 surrounded by one or more municipalities.
- 1676 (6) After November 2, 2015, and before January 1, 2017, a person may not initiate an
- 1677 annexation or an incorporation process that, if approved, would change the boundaries of a
- 1678 planning township.
- 1679 (7) (a) As used in this Subsection (7), "rural real property" means an area:
- 1680 (i) zoned primarily for manufacturing, commercial, or agricultural purposes; and
- 1681 (ii) that does not include residential units with a density greater than one unit per acre.
- 1682 (b) Unless an owner of rural real property gives written consent to a county legislative
- 1683 body, rural real property described in Subsection (7)(c) may not be:
- 1684 (i) included in a planning township identified under Subsection (1)(c); or
- 1685 (ii) incorporated as part of a metro township, city, or town, in accordance with this
- 1686 part.
- 1687 (c) The following rural real property is subject to an owner's written consent under
- 1688 Subsection (7)(b):
- 1689 (i) rural real property that consists of 1,500 or more contiguous acres of real property
- 1690 consisting of one or more tax parcels;
- 1691 (ii) rural real property that is not contiguous to, but used in connection with, rural real
- 1692 property that consists of 1,500 or more contiguous acres of real property consisting of one or
- 1693 more tax parcels;
- 1694 (iii) rural real property that is owned, managed, or controlled by a person, company, or
- 1695 association, including a parent, subsidiary, or affiliate related to the owner of 1,500 or more
- 1696 contiguous acres of rural real property consisting of one or more tax parcels; or
- 1697 (iv) rural real property that is located in whole or in part in one of the following as
- 1698 defined in Section [17-41-101](#):
- 1699 (A) an agricultural protection area;

1700 (B) an industrial protection area; or

1701 (C) a mining protection area.

1702 Section 26. Section **10-2a-410** is amended to read:

1703 **10-2a-410. Determination of metro township districts -- Determination of metro**  
1704 **township or city initial officer terms -- Adoption of proposed districts -- Notice.**

1705 (1) (a) If a metro township with a population of 10,000 or more is incorporated in  
1706 accordance with an election held under Section [10-2a-404](#):

1707 (i) each of the five metro township council members shall be elected by district; and

1708 (ii) the boundaries of the five council districts for election and the terms of office shall  
1709 be designated and determined in accordance with this section.

1710 (b) If a metro township with a population of less than 10,000 or a town is incorporated  
1711 at an election held in accordance with Section [10-2a-404](#), the five council members shall be  
1712 elected at-large for terms as designated and determined in accordance with this section.

1713 (c) If a city is incorporated at an election held in accordance with Section [10-2a-404](#):

1714 (i) (A) the four members of the council district who are not the mayor shall be elected  
1715 by district; and

1716 (B) the boundaries of the four council districts for election and the term of office shall  
1717 be designated and determined in accordance with this section; and

1718 (ii) the mayor shall be elected at-large for a term designated and determined in  
1719 accordance with this section.

1720 (2) (a) No later than 90 days after the election day on which the metro township, city,  
1721 or town is successfully incorporated under this part, the legislative body of the county in which  
1722 the metro township, city, or town is located shall adopt by resolution:

1723 (i) subject to Subsection (2)(b), for each incorporated metro township, city, or town,  
1724 the council terms for a length of time in accordance with this section; and

1725 (ii) (A) for a metro township with a population of 10,000 or more, the boundaries of  
1726 the five council districts; and

1727 (B) for a city, the boundaries of the four council districts.

1728 (b) (i) For each metro township, city, or town, the county legislative body shall set the  
1729 initial terms of the members of the metro township council, city council, or town council so  
1730 that:

1731 (A) except as provided in Subsection (2)(b)(ii), approximately half the members of the  
1732 council, including the mayor in the case of a city, are elected to serve an initial term, of no less  
1733 than one year, that allows their successors to serve a full four-year term that coincides with the  
1734 schedule established in Subsection 10-3-205(1); and

1735 (B) the remaining members of the council are elected to serve an initial term, of no less  
1736 than one year, that allows their successors to serve a full four-year term that coincides with the  
1737 schedule established in Subsection 10-3-205(2).

1738 (ii) For a city that incorporated in a county of the first class in 2016, the term of office  
1739 for the office of mayor is:

1740 (A) three years for the initial term of office; and

1741 (B) four years for each subsequent term of office.

1742 (iii) For a metro township with a population of 10,000 or more, the county legislative  
1743 body shall divide the metro township into five council districts that comply with Section  
1744 10-3-205.5.

1745 (iv) For a city, the county legislative body shall divide the city into four council  
1746 districts that comply with Section 10-3-205.5.

1747 (3) (a) Within 20 days of the county legislative body's adoption of a resolution under  
1748 Subsection (2), the county clerk shall provide a notice, in accordance with Subsection (3)(b),  
1749 containing:

1750 (i) if applicable, a description of the boundaries, as designated in the resolution, of:

1751 (A) for a metro township with a population of 10,000 or more, the metro township  
1752 council districts; or

1753 (B) the city council districts;

1754 (ii) information about the deadline for filing a declaration of candidacy for those  
1755 seeking to become candidates for metro township council, city council, town council, or city  
1756 mayor, respectively; and

1757 (iii) information about the length of the initial term of city mayor or each of the metro  
1758 township, city, or town council offices, as described in the resolution.

1759 (b) The county clerk shall provide the notice required under Subsection (3)(a)[:] for the  
1760 future metro township, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at least seven days  
1761 before the deadline for filing a declaration of candidacy under Subsection (4).

1762 ~~[(i) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section~~  
1763 ~~63A-16-601, for two weeks; and]~~

1764 ~~[(ii) by posting at least one notice per 1,000 population in conspicuous places within~~  
1765 ~~the future metro township, city, or town that are most likely to give notice to the residents of~~  
1766 ~~the future metro township, city, or town, subject to a maximum of 10 notices.]~~

1767 (c) The notice under Subsection ~~[(3)(b)(ii)]~~ (3)(b) shall contain the information  
1768 required under Subsection (3)(a).

1769 ~~[(d) The county clerk shall post the notices under Subsection (3)(b)(ii) at least seven~~  
1770 ~~days before the deadline for filing a declaration of candidacy under Subsection (4).]~~

1771 (4) A person seeking to become a candidate for metro township, city, or town council  
1772 or city mayor shall, in accordance with Section 20A-9-202, file a declaration of candidacy with  
1773 the clerk of the county in which the metro township, city, or town is located for an election  
1774 described in Section 10-2a-411.

1775 Section 27. Section **10-3-301** is amended to read:

1776 **10-3-301. Notice -- Eligibility and residency requirements for elected municipal**  
1777 **office -- Mayor and recorder limitations.**

1778 (1) As used in this section:

1779 (a) "Absent" means that an elected municipal officer fails to perform official duties,  
1780 including the officer's failure to attend each regularly scheduled meeting that the officer is  
1781 required to attend.

1782 (b) "Principal place of residence" means the same as that term is defined in Section  
1783 20A-2-105.

1784 (c) "Secondary residence" means a place where an individual resides other than the  
1785 individual's principal place of residence.

1786 (2) (a) On or before May 1 in a year in which there is a municipal general election, the  
1787 municipal clerk shall publish a notice that identifies:

1788 (i) the municipal offices to be voted on in the municipal general election; and

1789 (ii) the dates for filing a declaration of candidacy for the offices identified under  
1790 Subsection (2)(a)(i).

1791 (b) The municipal clerk shall publish the notice described in Subsection (2)(a)[:] for  
1792 the municipality, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at least seven days.

- 1793 ~~[(i) on the Utah Public Notice Website established by Section 63A-16-601; and]~~
- 1794 ~~[(ii) in at least one of the following ways:]~~
- 1795 ~~[(A) at the principal office of the municipality;]~~
- 1796 ~~[(B) in a newsletter produced by the municipality;]~~
- 1797 ~~[(C) on a website operated by the municipality; or]~~
- 1798 ~~[(D) with a utility enterprise fund customer's bill.]~~

1799 (3) (a) An individual who files a declaration of candidacy for a municipal office shall  
1800 comply with the requirements described in Section 20A-9-203.

1801 (b) (i) Except as provided in Subsection (3)(b)(ii), the city recorder or town clerk of  
1802 each municipality shall maintain office hours 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the dates described in  
1803 Subsections 20A-9-203(3)(a)(i) and (c)(i) unless the date occurs on a:

- 1804 (A) Saturday or Sunday; or
- 1805 (B) state holiday as listed in Section 63G-1-301.

1806 (ii) If on a regular basis a city recorder or town clerk maintains an office schedule that  
1807 is less than 40 hours per week, the city recorder or town clerk may comply with Subsection  
1808 (3)(b)(i) without maintaining office hours by:

- 1809 (A) posting the recorder's or clerk's contact information, including a phone number and  
1810 email address, on the recorder's or clerk's office door, the main door to the municipal offices,  
1811 and, if available, on the municipal website; and
- 1812 (B) being available from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the dates described in Subsection (3)(b)(i),  
1813 via the contact information described in Subsection (3)(b)(ii)(A).

1814 (4) An individual elected to municipal office shall be a registered voter in the  
1815 municipality in which the individual is elected.

1816 (5) (a) Each elected officer of a municipality shall maintain a principal place of  
1817 residence within the municipality, and within the district that the elected officer represents,  
1818 during the officer's term of office.

1819 (b) Except as provided in Subsection (6), an elected municipal office is automatically  
1820 vacant if the officer elected to the municipal office, during the officer's term of office:

- 1821 (i) establishes a principal place of residence outside the district that the elected officer  
1822 represents;
- 1823 (ii) resides at a secondary residence outside the district that the elected officer

1824 represents for a continuous period of more than 60 days while still maintaining a principal  
1825 place of residence within the district;

1826 (iii) is absent from the district that the elected officer represents for a continuous period  
1827 of more than 60 days; or

1828 (iv) fails to respond to a request, within 30 days after the day on which the elected  
1829 officer receives the request, from the county clerk or the lieutenant governor seeking  
1830 information to determine the officer's residency.

1831 (6) (a) Notwithstanding Subsection (5), if an elected municipal officer obtains the  
1832 consent of the municipal legislative body in accordance with Subsection (6)(b) before the  
1833 expiration of the 60-day period described in Subsection (5)(b)(ii) or (iii), the officer may:

1834 (i) reside at a secondary residence outside the district that the elected officer represents  
1835 while still maintaining a principal place of residence within the district for a continuous period  
1836 of up to one year during the officer's term of office; or

1837 (ii) be absent from the district that the elected officer represents for a continuous period  
1838 of up to one year during the officer's term of office.

1839 (b) At a public meeting, the municipal legislative body may give the consent described  
1840 in Subsection (6)(a) by majority vote after taking public comment regarding:

1841 (i) whether the legislative body should give the consent; and

1842 (ii) the length of time to which the legislative body should consent.

1843 (7) (a) The mayor of a municipality may not also serve as the municipal recorder or  
1844 treasurer.

1845 (b) The recorder of a municipality may not also serve as the municipal treasurer.

1846 (c) An individual who holds a county elected office may not, at the same time, hold a  
1847 municipal elected office.

1848 (d) The restriction described in Subsection (7)(c) applies regardless of whether the  
1849 individual is elected to the office or appointed to fill a vacancy in the office.

1850 Section 28. Section **10-3-711** is amended to read:

1851 **10-3-711. Publication and posting of ordinances.**

1852 (1) Before an ordinance may take effect, the legislative body of each municipality  
1853 adopting an ordinance, except an ordinance enacted under Section [10-3-706](#), [10-3-707](#),  
1854 [10-3-708](#), [10-3-709](#), or [10-3-710](#), shall:

- 1855 (a) deposit a copy of the ordinance in the office of the municipal recorder; and
- 1856 (b) ~~[(†)]~~ publish for the municipality a short summary of the ordinance ~~[on the Utah~~
- 1857 ~~Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601; or],~~ as a class A notice under Section
- 1858 63G-28-102.
- 1859 ~~[(ii) post a complete copy of the ordinance:]~~
- 1860 ~~[(A) for a city of the first class, in nine public places within the city; or]~~
- 1861 ~~[(B) for any other municipality, in three public places within the municipality.]~~
- 1862 (2) (a) Any ordinance, code, or book, other than the state code, relating to building or
- 1863 safety standards, municipal functions, administration, control, or regulations, may be adopted
- 1864 and shall take effect without further publication or posting, if reference is made to the code or
- 1865 book and at least one copy has been filed for use and examination by the public in the office of
- 1866 the recorder or clerk of the city or town prior to the adoption of the ordinance by the governing
- 1867 body.
- 1868 (b) Any state law relating to building or safety standards, municipal functions,
- 1869 administration, control, or regulations, may be adopted and shall take effect without further
- 1870 publication or posting if reference is made to the state code.
- 1871 (c) The ordinance adopting the code or book shall be published in the manner provided
- 1872 in this section.
- 1873 Section 29. Section **10-3-818** is amended to read:
- 1874 **10-3-818. Salaries in municipalities -- Notice.**
- 1875 (1) The elective and statutory officers of municipalities shall receive such
- 1876 compensation for their services as the governing body may fix by ordinance adopting
- 1877 compensation or compensation schedules enacted after public hearing.
- 1878 (2) Upon its own motion the governing body may review or consider the compensation
- 1879 of any officer or officers of the municipality or a salary schedule applicable to any officer or
- 1880 officers of the city for the purpose of determining whether or not it should be adopted, changed,
- 1881 or amended. In the event that the governing body decides that the compensation or
- 1882 compensation schedules should be adopted, changed, or amended, it shall set a time and place
- 1883 for a public hearing at which all interested persons shall be given an opportunity to be heard.
- 1884 (3) ~~[(a)]~~ Notice of the time, place, and purpose of the meeting shall be published, for at
- 1885 least seven days before the day of the meeting ~~[by publication:],~~ for the municipality, as a class

1886 A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#).

1887 ~~[(i) at least once in a newspaper published in the county within which the municipality~~  
1888 ~~is situated and generally circulated in the municipality; and]~~

1889 ~~[(ii) on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section [63A-16-601](#).]~~

1890 ~~[(b) If there is not a newspaper as described in Subsection (3)(a)(i), then notice shall be~~  
1891 ~~given by posting this notice in three public places in the municipality.]~~

1892 (4) After the conclusion of the public hearing, the governing body may enact an  
1893 ordinance fixing, changing, or amending the compensation of any elective or appointive officer  
1894 of the municipality or adopting a compensation schedule applicable to any officer or officers.

1895 (5) Any ordinance enacted before Laws of Utah 1977, Chapter 48, by a municipality  
1896 establishing a salary or compensation schedule for its elective or appointive officers and any  
1897 salary fixed prior to Laws of Utah 1977, Chapter 48, shall remain effective until the  
1898 municipality has enacted an ordinance pursuant to the provisions of this chapter.

1899 (6) The compensation of all municipal officers shall be paid at least monthly out of the  
1900 municipal treasury provided that municipalities having 1,000 or fewer population may by  
1901 ordinance provide for the payment of its statutory officers less frequently. None of the  
1902 provisions of this chapter shall be considered as limiting or restricting the authority to any  
1903 municipality that has adopted or does adopt a charter pursuant to Utah Constitution, Article XI,  
1904 Section 5, to determine the salaries of its elective and appointive officers or employees.

1905 Section 30. Section **10-3c-204** is amended to read:

1906 **10-3c-204. Taxing authority limited -- Notice.**

1907 (1) A metro township may impose:

1908 (a) a municipal energy sales and use tax in accordance with Chapter 1, Part 3,  
1909 Municipal Energy Sales and Use Tax Act; or

1910 (b) a municipal telecommunication's license tax in accordance with Chapter 1, Part 4,  
1911 Municipal Telecommunications License Tax Act.

1912 (2) (a) Before a metro township enacts a tax described in Subsection (1), the metro  
1913 township council shall hold a public hearing:

1914 (i) on a weekday evening other than a holiday beginning no earlier than 6:00 p.m.;

1915 (ii) that is open to the public; and

1916 (iii) to allow an individual present to comment on the proposed tax:

1917 (A) within reasonable time limits; and  
 1918 (B) without unreasonable restriction on the number of individuals permitted to  
 1919 comment on the proposed tax.

1920 (b) (i) A metro township council shall publish notice of the public hearing described in  
 1921 Subsection (2)(a)[:] for the metro township, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for  
 1922 at least 14 days before the day of the public hearing.

1923 [~~(A) by mailing notice to each mailing address in the metro township at least 14 days~~  
 1924 ~~before the day of the public hearing;~~]

1925 [~~(B) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section~~  
 1926 ~~63A-16-601 for each of the 14 days before the day of the public hearing; and]~~

1927 [~~(C) if the metro township has a website, by posting notice on the metro township's~~  
 1928 ~~website for each of the 14 days before the day of the public hearing.~~]

1929 (ii) The council of a metro township that is included in a municipal services district  
 1930 satisfies the requirement described in Subsection [~~(2)(b)(i)(A)~~] (2)(b)(i) by mailing notice, at  
 1931 least 14 days before the day of the public hearing, to each mailing address in the metro  
 1932 township, using records or information available to the municipal services district in which the  
 1933 metro township is included.

1934 (c) The notice described in Subsection (2)(b) shall:

1935 (i) state "NOTICE OF PROPOSED TAX" at the top of the notice, in bold upper-case  
 1936 type no smaller than 18 point;

1937 (ii) indicate the date, time, and location of the public hearing described in Subsection  
 1938 (2)(a); and

1939 (iii) indicate the proposed tax rate.

1940 Section 31. Section **10-5-107.5** is amended to read:

1941 **10-5-107.5. Transfer of enterprise fund money to another fund -- Notice.**

1942 (1) As used in this section:

1943 (a) "Budget hearing" means a public hearing required under Section **10-5-108**.

1944 (b) "Enterprise fund accounting data" means a detailed overview of the various  
 1945 enterprise funds of the town that includes:

1946 (i) a cost accounting breakdown of how money in the enterprise fund is being used to  
 1947 cover, as applicable:

1948 (A) administrative and overhead costs of the town attributable to the operation of the  
1949 enterprise for which the enterprise fund was created; and

1950 (B) other costs not associated with the enterprise for which the enterprise fund was  
1951 created; and

1952 (ii) specific enterprise fund information.

1953 (c) "Enterprise fund hearing" means the public hearing required under Subsection  
1954 (3)(d).

1955 (d) "Specific enterprise fund information" means:

1956 (i) the dollar amount of transfers from an enterprise fund to another fund; and

1957 (ii) the percentage of the total enterprise fund expenditures represented by each transfer  
1958 to another fund.

1959 (2) Subject to the requirements of this section, a town may transfer money in an  
1960 enterprise fund to another fund to pay for a good, service, project, venture, or other purpose  
1961 that is not directly related to the goods or services provided by the enterprise for which the  
1962 enterprise fund was created.

1963 (3) The governing body of a town that intends to transfer money in an enterprise fund  
1964 to another fund shall:

1965 (a) provide notice of the intended transfer as required under Subsection (4);

1966 (b) clearly identify in a separate section or document accompanying the town's  
1967 tentative budget or, if an amendment to the town's budget includes or is based on an intended  
1968 transfer, in a separate section or document accompanying the amendment to the town's budget:

1969 (i) the enterprise fund from which money is intended to be transferred; and

1970 (ii) the specific enterprise fund information for that enterprise fund;

1971 (c) provide notice of an enterprise fund hearing, as required in Subsection (4); and

1972 (d) hold an enterprise fund hearing before the adoption of the town's budget or, if  
1973 applicable, the amendment to the budget.

1974 (4) (a) At least seven days before holding an enterprise fund hearing, a governing body  
1975 shall[:]

1976 [(t)] provide the notice described in Subsection (4)(b) [by:] for the town, as a class B  
1977 notice under Section 63G-28-102.

1978 [~~(A) mailing a copy of the notice to users of the goods or services provided by the~~

1979 ~~enterprise for which the enterprise fund was created, if the town regularly mails users a~~  
 1980 ~~periodic billing for the goods or services;]~~

1981  ~~[(B) emailing a copy of the notice to users of the goods or services provided by the~~  
 1982 ~~enterprise for which the enterprise fund was created, if the town regularly emails users a~~  
 1983 ~~periodic billing for the goods or services;]~~

1984  ~~[(C) posting the notice on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section~~  
 1985 ~~63A-16-601; and]~~

1986  ~~[(D) if the town has a website, prominently posting the notice on the town's website~~  
 1987 ~~until the enterprise fund hearing is concluded; and]~~

1988  ~~[(ii) if the town communicates with the public through a social media platform, publish~~  
 1989 ~~notice of the date, time, place, and purpose of the enterprise fund hearing using the social~~  
 1990 ~~media platform.]~~

1991 (b) The notice required under Subsection ~~[(4)(a)(i)]~~ (4)(a) shall:

1992 (i) explain the intended transfer of enterprise fund money to another fund;

1993 (ii) include specific enterprise fund information for each enterprise fund from which  
 1994 money is intended to be transferred;

1995 (iii) provide the date, time, and place of the enterprise fund hearing; and

1996 (iv) explain the purpose of the enterprise fund hearing.

1997 (5) (a) An enterprise fund hearing shall be separate and independent from a budget  
 1998 hearing and any other public hearing.

1999 (b) At an enterprise fund hearing, the governing body shall:

2000 (i) explain the intended transfer of enterprise fund money to another fund;

2001 (ii) provide enterprise fund accounting data to the public; and

2002 (iii) allow members of the public in attendance at the hearing to comment on:

2003 (A) the intended transfer of enterprise fund money to another fund; and

2004 (B) the enterprise fund accounting data.

2005 (6) (a) If a governing body adopts a budget or a budget amendment that includes or is  
 2006 based on a transfer of money from an enterprise fund to another fund, the governing body shall:

2007 (i) within 60 days after adopting the budget or budget amendment:

2008 (A) mail a notice to users of the goods or services provided by the enterprise for which  
 2009 the enterprise fund was created, if the town regularly mails users a periodic billing for the

2010 goods or services; and

2011 (B) email a notice to users of the goods or services provided by the enterprise for  
2012 which the enterprise fund was created, if the town regularly emails users a periodic billing for  
2013 the goods or services;

2014 (ii) within seven days after adopting the budget or budget amendment:

2015 (A) post enterprise fund accounting data on the town's website, if the town has a  
2016 website;

2017 (B) using the town's social media platform, publish notice of the adoption of a budget  
2018 or budget amendment that includes or is based on a transfer of money from an enterprise fund  
2019 to another fund, if the town communicates with the public through a social media platform; and

2020 (iii) within 30 days after adopting the budget, submit to the state auditor the specific  
2021 enterprise fund information for each enterprise fund from which money will be transferred.

2022 (b) A notice required under Subsection (6)(a)(i) shall:

2023 (i) announce the adoption of a budget or budget amendment that includes or is based  
2024 on a transfer of money from an enterprise fund to another fund; and

2025 (ii) include the specific enterprise fund information.

2026 (c) The governing body shall maintain the website posting required under Subsection  
2027 (6)(a)(ii)(A) continuously until another posting is required under Subsection [(4)(a)(i)(C)]

2028 (4)(a).

2029 Section 32. Section **10-5-108** is amended to read:

2030 **10-5-108. Budget hearing -- Notice -- Adjustments.**

2031 (1) Prior to the adoption of the final budget or an amendment to a budget, a town  
2032 council shall hold a public hearing to receive public comment.

2033 (2) The town council shall provide notice of the place, purpose, and time of the public  
2034 hearing by [~~posting~~] providing notice for the town or metro township, as a class A notice under  
2035 Section 63G-28-102, for at least seven days before the hearing[;].

2036 [~~(a) in three public places at least 48 hours before the hearing;~~]

2037 [~~(b) on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601; and~~]

2038 [~~(c) on the home page of the website, either in full or as a link, of the town or metro~~  
2039 ~~township, if the town or metro township has a publicly viewable website, until the hearing~~  
2040 ~~takes place.~~]

2041 (3) After the hearing, the town council, subject to Section 10-5-110, may adjust  
2042 expenditures and revenues in conformity with this chapter.

2043 Section 33. Section 10-6-113 is amended to read:

2044 **10-6-113. Budget -- Notice of hearing to consider adoption.**

2045 At the meeting at which each tentative budget is adopted, the governing body shall  
2046 establish the time and place of a public hearing to consider its adoption and shall order that  
2047 notice of the public hearing be published for the city or metro township, as a class A notice  
2048 under Section 63G-28-102, for at least seven days [prior to] before the day of the hearing[.].

2049 [~~(1) in three public places within the city;~~]

2050 [~~(2) on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601; and]~~

2051 [~~(3) on the home page of the website, either in full or as a link, of the city or metro~~  
2052 ~~township, if the city or metro township has a publicly viewable website, until the hearing takes~~  
2053 ~~place.]~~

2054 Section 34. Section 10-6-135.5 is amended to read:

2055 **10-6-135.5. Transfer of enterprise fund money to another fund -- Notice.**

2056 (1) As used in this section:

2057 (a) "Budget hearing" means a public hearing required under Section 10-6-114.

2058 (b) "Enterprise fund accounting data" means a detailed overview of the various  
2059 enterprise funds of the city that includes:

2060 (i) a cost accounting breakdown of how money in the enterprise fund is being used to  
2061 cover, as applicable:

2062 (A) administrative and overhead costs of the city attributable to the operation of the  
2063 enterprise for which the enterprise fund was created; and

2064 (B) other costs not associated with the enterprise for which the enterprise fund was  
2065 created; and

2066 (ii) specific enterprise fund information.

2067 (c) "Enterprise fund hearing" means the public hearing required under Subsection

2068 (3)(d).

2069 (d) "Specific enterprise fund information" means:

2070 (i) the dollar amount of transfers from an enterprise fund to another fund; and

2071 (ii) the percentage of the total enterprise fund expenditures represented by each transfer

2072 to another fund.

2073 (2) Subject to the requirements of this section, a city may transfer money in an  
2074 enterprise fund to another fund to pay for a good, service, project, venture, or other purpose  
2075 that is not directly related to the goods or services provided by the enterprise for which the  
2076 enterprise fund was created.

2077 (3) The governing body of a city that intends to transfer money in an enterprise fund to  
2078 another fund shall:

2079 (a) provide notice of the intended transfer as required under Subsection (4);

2080 (b) clearly identify in a separate section or document accompanying the city's tentative  
2081 budget or, if an amendment to the city's budget includes or is based on an intended transfer, in  
2082 a separate section or document accompanying the amendment to the city's budget:

2083 (i) the enterprise fund from which money is intended to be transferred; and

2084 (ii) the specific enterprise fund information for that enterprise fund;

2085 (c) provide notice of an enterprise fund hearing, as required in Subsection (4); and

2086 (d) hold an enterprise fund hearing before the adoption of the city's budget or, if  
2087 applicable, the amendment to the budget.

2088 (4) (a) ~~[At]~~ For at least seven days before holding an enterprise fund hearing, a  
2089 governing body shall~~[:(i)]~~ provide the notice described in Subsection (4)(b) ~~[by:]~~ for the city, as  
2090 a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#).

2091 ~~[(A) mailing a copy of the notice to users of the goods or services provided by the~~  
2092 ~~enterprise for which the enterprise fund was created, if the city regularly mails users a periodic~~  
2093 ~~billing for the goods or services;]~~

2094 ~~[(B) emailing a copy of the notice to users of the goods or services provided by the~~  
2095 ~~enterprise for which the enterprise fund was created, if the city regularly emails users a periodic~~  
2096 ~~billing for the goods or services;]~~

2097 ~~[(C) posting the notice on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section~~  
2098 ~~[63A-16-601](#); and]~~

2099 ~~[(D) if the city has a website, prominently posting the notice on the city's website until~~  
2100 ~~the enterprise fund hearing is concluded; and]~~

2101 ~~[(ii) if the city communicates with the public through a social media platform, publish~~  
2102 ~~notice of the date, time, place, and purpose of the enterprise fund hearing using the social~~

2103 ~~media platform.]~~

2104 (b) The notice required under Subsection ~~[(4)(a)(i)]~~ (4)(a) shall:

2105 (i) explain the intended transfer of enterprise fund money to another fund;

2106 (ii) include specific enterprise fund information for each enterprise fund from which

2107 money is intended to be transferred;

2108 (iii) provide the date, time, and place of the enterprise fund hearing; and

2109 (iv) explain the purpose of the enterprise fund hearing.

2110 (5) (a) An enterprise fund hearing shall be separate and independent from a budget

2111 hearing and any other public hearing.

2112 (b) At an enterprise fund hearing, the governing body shall:

2113 (i) explain the intended transfer of enterprise fund money to another fund;

2114 (ii) provide enterprise fund accounting data to the public; and

2115 (iii) allow members of the public in attendance at the hearing to comment on:

2116 (A) the intended transfer of enterprise fund money to another fund; and

2117 (B) the enterprise fund accounting data.

2118 (6) (a) If a governing body adopts a budget or a budget amendment that includes or is

2119 based on a transfer of money from an enterprise fund to another fund, the governing body shall:

2120 (i) within 60 days after adopting the budget or budget amendment:

2121 (A) mail a notice to users of the goods or services provided by the enterprise for which

2122 the enterprise fund was created, if the city regularly mails users a periodic billing for the goods

2123 or services; and

2124 (B) email a notice to users of the goods or services provided by the enterprise for

2125 which the enterprise fund was created, if the city regularly emails users a periodic billing for

2126 the goods or services;

2127 (ii) within seven days after adopting the budget or budget amendment:

2128 (A) post enterprise fund accounting data on the city's website, if the city has a website;

2129 (B) using the city's social media platform, publish notice of the adoption of a budget or

2130 budget amendment that includes or is based on a transfer of money from an enterprise fund to

2131 another fund, if the city communicates with the public through a social media platform; and

2132 (iii) within 30 days after adopting the budget, submit to the state auditor the specific

2133 enterprise fund information for each enterprise fund from which money will be transferred.

- 2134 (b) A notice required under Subsection (6)(a)(i) shall:
- 2135 (i) announce the adoption of a budget or budget amendment that includes or is based
- 2136 on a transfer of money from an enterprise fund to another fund; and
- 2137 (ii) include the specific enterprise fund information.
- 2138 (c) The governing body shall maintain the website posting required under Subsection
- 2139 (6)(a)(ii)(A) continuously until another posting is required under Subsection ~~[(4)(a)(i)(C)]~~
- 2140 (4)(a).

2141 Section 35. Section **10-6-152** is amended to read:

2142 **10-6-152. Notice that audit completed and available for inspection.**

2143 Within 10 days following the receipt of the audit report furnished by the independent  
2144 auditor, the city auditor in cities having an auditor and the city recorder in all other cities shall:

- 2145 (1) prepare a notice to the public that the audit of the city has been completed;
- 2146 (2) ~~[post]~~ provide the notice~~[:]~~ for the city or metro township, as a class A notice under
- 2147 Section 63G-28-102, for at least 10 days; and

2148 ~~[(a) in three public places; and]~~

2149 ~~[(b) on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601; and]~~

2150 (3) make a copy of the notice described in Subsection (1) available for inspection at the  
2151 office of the city auditor or recorder.

2152 Section 36. Section **10-7-16** is amended to read:

2153 **10-7-16. Call for bids -- Notice -- Contents.**

2154 (1) (a) Before holding an election under Subsection 10-7-15(1)(a)(ii), the municipal  
2155 legislative body shall open to bid the sale or lease of the property mentioned in Section  
2156 10-7-15.

2157 (b) The municipal legislative body shall ~~[cause]~~ publish notice of the bid process ~~[to be~~  
2158 ~~given by publication]~~ for the municipality, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at  
2159 least three consecutive weeks [on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section  
2160 63A-16-601].

2161 (c) The notice described in Subsection (1) shall:

- 2162 (i) give a general description of the property to be sold or leased;
- 2163 (ii) specify the time when sealed bids for the property, or for a lease on the property,
- 2164 will be received; and

2165 (iii) specify the time when and the place where the bids will be opened.

2166 (2) (a) As used in this section and in Section 10-7-17, "responsible bidder" means an  
2167 entity with a proven history of successful operation of an electrical generation and distribution  
2168 system, or an equivalent proven history.

2169 (b) Subject to Subsection (2)(c), a municipal legislative body may receive or refuse to  
2170 receive any bid submitted for the sale or lease of the electrical works and plant.

2171 (c) A municipal legislative body may not receive a bid unless the municipal legislative  
2172 body determines that the bid is submitted by a responsible bidder.

2173 Section 37. Section 10-7-19 is amended to read:

2174 **10-7-19. Election to authorize -- Notice -- Ballots.**

2175 (1) Subject to Subsection (2), the board of commissioners or city council of any city, or  
2176 the board of trustees of any incorporated town, may aid and encourage the building of railroads  
2177 by granting to any railroad company, for depot or other railroad purposes, real property of the  
2178 city or incorporated town, not necessary for municipal or public purposes, upon the limitations  
2179 and conditions established by the board of commissioners, city council, or board of trustees.

2180 (2) A board of commissioners, city council, or board of trustees may not grant real  
2181 property under Subsection (1) unless the grant is approved by the eligible voters of the city or  
2182 town at the next municipal election, or at a special election called for that purpose by the board  
2183 of commissioners, city council, or board of trustees.

2184 (3) If the question is submitted at a special election, the election shall be held as nearly  
2185 as practicable in conformity with the general election laws of the state.

2186 (4) The board of commissioners, city council, or board of trustees shall publish notice  
2187 of an election described in Subsections (2) and (3) ~~for the city or town, as a class B notice~~  
2188 under Section 63G-28-102, for at least four weeks before the day of the election.

2189 ~~[(a) (i) at least four weeks before the day of the election, by posting one notice, and at~~  
2190 ~~least one additional notice per 2,000 population of the city or town, in places within the city or~~  
2191 ~~town that are most likely to give notice to the voters in the city or town; or]~~

2192 ~~[(ii) at least four weeks before the day of the election, by mailing notice to each~~  
2193 ~~registered voter in the city or town;]~~

2194 ~~[(b) on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601, for four weeks~~  
2195 ~~before the day of the election; and]~~

2196 ~~[(c) if the municipality has a website, on the municipality's website for at least four~~  
2197 ~~weeks before the day of the election.]~~

2198 (5) The board of commissioners, city council, or board of trustees shall cause ballots to  
2199 be printed and provided to the eligible voters, which shall read: "For the proposed grant for  
2200 depot or other railroad purposes: Yes. No."

2201 (6) If a majority of the votes are cast in favor of the grant, the board of commissioners,  
2202 city council, or board of trustees shall convey the real property to the railroad company.

2203 Section 38. Section **10-8-2** is amended to read:

2204 **10-8-2. Appropriations -- Acquisition and disposal of property -- Municipal**  
2205 **authority -- Corporate purpose -- Procedure -- Notice of intent to acquire real property.**

2206 (1) (a) Subject to Section [11-41-103](#), a municipal legislative body may:

2207 (i) appropriate money for corporate purposes only;

2208 (ii) provide for payment of debts and expenses of the corporation;

2209 (iii) subject to Subsections (4) and (5), purchase, receive, hold, sell, lease, convey, and  
2210 dispose of real and personal property for the benefit of the municipality, whether the property is  
2211 within or without the municipality's corporate boundaries, if the action is in the public interest  
2212 and complies with other law;

2213 (iv) improve, protect, and do any other thing in relation to this property that an  
2214 individual could do; and

2215 (v) subject to Subsection (2) and after first holding a public hearing, authorize  
2216 municipal services or other nonmonetary assistance to be provided to or waive fees required to  
2217 be paid by a nonprofit entity, whether or not the municipality receives consideration in return.

2218 (b) A municipality may:

2219 (i) furnish all necessary local public services within the municipality;

2220 (ii) purchase, hire, construct, own, maintain and operate, or lease public utilities  
2221 located and operating within and operated by the municipality; and

2222 (iii) subject to Subsection (1)(c), acquire by eminent domain, or otherwise, property  
2223 located inside or outside the corporate limits of the municipality and necessary for any of the  
2224 purposes stated in Subsections (1)(b)(i) and (ii), subject to restrictions imposed by Title 78B,  
2225 Chapter 6, Part 5, Eminent Domain, and general law for the protection of other communities.

2226 (c) Each municipality that intends to acquire property by eminent domain under

2227 Subsection (1)(b) shall comply with the requirements of Section [78B-6-505](#).

2228 (d) Subsection (1)(b) may not be construed to diminish any other authority a  
2229 municipality may claim to have under the law to acquire by eminent domain property located  
2230 inside or outside the municipality.

2231 (2) (a) Services or assistance provided pursuant to Subsection (1)(a)(v) is not subject to  
2232 the provisions of Subsection (3).

2233 (b) The total amount of services or other nonmonetary assistance provided or fees  
2234 waived under Subsection (1)(a)(v) in any given fiscal year may not exceed 1% of the  
2235 municipality's budget for that fiscal year.

2236 (3) It is considered a corporate purpose to appropriate money for any purpose that, in  
2237 the judgment of the municipal legislative body, provides for the safety, health, prosperity,  
2238 moral well-being, peace, order, comfort, or convenience of the inhabitants of the municipality  
2239 subject to this Subsection (3).

2240 (a) The net value received for any money appropriated shall be measured on a  
2241 project-by-project basis over the life of the project.

2242 (b) (i) A municipal legislative body shall establish the criteria for a determination  
2243 under this Subsection (3).

2244 (ii) A municipal legislative body's determination of value received is presumed valid  
2245 unless a person can show that the determination was arbitrary, capricious, or illegal.

2246 (c) The municipality may consider intangible benefits received by the municipality in  
2247 determining net value received.

2248 (d) (i) Before the municipal legislative body makes any decision to appropriate any  
2249 funds for a corporate purpose under this section, the municipal legislative body shall hold a  
2250 public hearing.

2251 (ii) ~~[At]~~ For at least 14 days before the date of the hearing, the municipal legislative  
2252 body shall publish a notice of the hearing described in Subsection (3)(d)(i) [by posting notice:]  
2253 for the municipality, as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#).

2254 ~~[(A) in at least three conspicuous places within the municipality; and]~~

2255 ~~[(B) on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section [63A-16-601](#).]~~

2256 (e) (i) Before a municipality provides notice as described in Subsection (3)(d)(ii), the  
2257 municipality shall perform a study that analyzes and demonstrates the purpose for an

2258 appropriation described in this Subsection (3) in accordance with Subsection (3)(e)(iii).

2259 (ii) A municipality shall make the study described in Subsection (3)(e)(i) available at  
2260 the municipality for review by interested parties at least 14 days immediately before the public  
2261 hearing described in Subsection (3)(d)(i).

2262 (iii) A municipality shall consider the following factors when conducting the study  
2263 described in Subsection (3)(e)(i):

2264 (A) what identified benefit the municipality will receive in return for any money or  
2265 resources appropriated;

2266 (B) the municipality's purpose for the appropriation, including an analysis of the way  
2267 the appropriation will be used to enhance the safety, health, prosperity, moral well-being,  
2268 peace, order, comfort, or convenience of the inhabitants of the municipality; and

2269 (C) whether the appropriation is necessary and appropriate to accomplish the  
2270 reasonable goals and objectives of the municipality in the area of economic development, job  
2271 creation, affordable housing, elimination of a development impediment, job preservation, the  
2272 preservation of historic structures and property, and any other public purpose.

2273 (f) (i) An appeal may be taken from a final decision of the municipal legislative body,  
2274 to make an appropriation.

2275 (ii) A person shall file an appeal as described in Subsection (3)(f)(i) with the district  
2276 court within 30 days after the day on which the municipal legislative body makes a decision.

2277 (iii) Any appeal shall be based on the record of the proceedings before the legislative  
2278 body.

2279 (iv) A decision of the municipal legislative body shall be presumed to be valid unless  
2280 the appealing party shows that the decision was arbitrary, capricious, or illegal.

2281 (g) The provisions of this Subsection (3) apply only to those appropriations made after  
2282 May 6, 2002.

2283 (h) This section applies only to appropriations not otherwise approved pursuant to Title  
2284 10, Chapter 5, Uniform Fiscal Procedures Act for Utah Towns, or Title 10, Chapter 6, Uniform  
2285 Fiscal Procedures Act for Utah Cities.

2286 (4) (a) Before a municipality may dispose of a significant parcel of real property, the  
2287 municipality shall:

2288 (i) provide [~~reasonable~~] notice of the proposed disposition for the municipality, as a

2289 class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at least 14 days before the opportunity for public  
2290 comment under Subsection (4)(a)(ii); and

2291 (ii) allow an opportunity for public comment on the proposed disposition.

2292 (b) Each municipality shall, by ordinance, define what constitutes[?]

2293 [(†)] a significant parcel of real property for purposes of Subsection (4)(a)[~~and~~].

2294 [~~(ii) reasonable notice for purposes of Subsection (4)(a)(i).~~]

2295 (5) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (5)(d), each municipality intending to acquire  
2296 real property for the purpose of expanding the municipality's infrastructure or other facilities  
2297 used for providing services that the municipality offers or intends to offer shall provide written  
2298 notice, as provided in this Subsection (5), of its intent to acquire the property if:

2299 (i) the property is located:

2300 (A) outside the boundaries of the municipality; and

2301 (B) in a county of the first or second class; and

2302 (ii) the intended use of the property is contrary to:

2303 (A) the anticipated use of the property under the general plan of the county in whose  
2304 unincorporated area or the municipality in whose boundaries the property is located; or

2305 (B) the property's current zoning designation.

2306 (b) Each notice under Subsection (5)(a) shall:

2307 (i) indicate that the municipality intends to acquire real property;

2308 (ii) identify the real property; and

2309 (iii) be sent to:

2310 (A) each county in whose unincorporated area and each municipality in whose  
2311 boundaries the property is located; and

2312 (B) each affected entity.

2313 (c) A notice under this Subsection (5) is a protected record as provided in Subsection  
2314 63G-2-305(8).

2315 (d) (i) The notice requirement of Subsection (5)(a) does not apply if the municipality  
2316 previously provided notice under Section 10-9a-203 identifying the general location within the  
2317 municipality or unincorporated part of the county where the property to be acquired is located.

2318 (ii) If a municipality is not required to comply with the notice requirement of  
2319 Subsection (5)(a) because of application of Subsection (5)(d)(i), the municipality shall provide

2320 the notice specified in Subsection (5)(a) as soon as practicable after its acquisition of the real  
2321 property.

2322 Section 39. Section **10-8-15** is amended to read:

2323 **10-8-15. Waterworks -- Construction -- Extraterritorial jurisdiction -- Notice.**

2324 (1) As used in this section, "affected entity" means a:

2325 (a) county that has land use authority over land subject to an ordinance or regulation  
2326 described in this section;

2327 (b) local health department, as that term is defined in Section [26A-1-102](#), that has  
2328 jurisdiction pursuant to Section [26A-1-108](#) over land subject to an ordinance or regulation  
2329 described in this section;

2330 (c) municipality that has enacted or has the right to enact an ordinance or regulation  
2331 described in this section over the land subject to an ordinance or regulation described in this  
2332 section; and

2333 (d) municipality that has land use authority over land subject to an ordinance or  
2334 regulation described in this section.

2335 (2) A municipality may construct or authorize the construction of waterworks within or  
2336 without the municipal limits, and for the purpose of maintaining and protecting the same from  
2337 injury and the water from pollution the municipality's jurisdiction shall extend over the territory  
2338 occupied by such works, and over all reservoirs, streams, canals, ditches, pipes and drains used  
2339 in and necessary for the construction, maintenance and operation of the same, and over the  
2340 stream or other source from which the water is taken, for 15 miles above the point from which  
2341 it is taken and for a distance of 300 feet on each side of such stream and over highways along  
2342 such stream or watercourse within said 15 miles and said 300 feet.

2343 (3) The jurisdiction of a city of the first class shall additionally be over the entire  
2344 watershed within the county of origin of the city of the first class and subject to Subsection (6)  
2345 provided that livestock shall be permitted to graze beyond 1,000 feet from any such stream or  
2346 source; and provided further, that the city of the first class shall provide a highway in and  
2347 through the city's corporate limits, and so far as the city's jurisdiction extends, which may not  
2348 be closed to cattle, horses, sheep, hogs, or goats driven through the city, or through any  
2349 territory adjacent thereto over which the city has jurisdiction, but the board of commissioners  
2350 of the city may enact ordinances placing under police regulations the manner of driving such

2351 cattle, sheep, horses, hogs, and goats through the city, or any territory adjacent thereto over  
2352 which the city has jurisdiction.

2353 (4) A municipality may enact all ordinances and regulations necessary to carry the  
2354 power herein conferred into effect, and is authorized and empowered to enact ordinances  
2355 preventing pollution or contamination of the streams or watercourses from which the  
2356 municipality derives the municipality's water supply, in whole or in part, for domestic and  
2357 culinary purposes, and may enact ordinances prohibiting or regulating the construction or  
2358 maintenance of any closet, privy, outhouse or urinal within the area over which the  
2359 municipality has jurisdiction, and provide for permits for the construction and maintenance of  
2360 the same.

2361 (5) In granting a permit described in Subsection (4), a municipality may annex thereto  
2362 such reasonable conditions and requirements for the protection of the public health as the  
2363 municipality determines proper, and may, if determined advisable, require that all closets,  
2364 privies and urinals along such streams shall be provided with effective septic tanks or other  
2365 germ-destroying instrumentalities.

2366 (6) A city of the first class may only exercise extraterritorial jurisdiction outside of the  
2367 city's county of origin, as described in Subsection (3), pursuant to a written agreement with all  
2368 municipalities and counties that have jurisdiction over the area where the watershed is located.

2369 (7) (a) After July 1, 2019, a municipal legislative body that seeks to adopt an ordinance  
2370 or regulation under the authority of this section shall:

2371 (i) hold a public hearing on the proposed ordinance or regulation; and  
2372 (ii) give notice of the date, place, and time of the hearing, as described in Subsection  
2373 (7)(b).

2374 (b) At least ten days before the day on which the public hearing described in  
2375 Subsection (7)(a)(i) is to be held, the notice described in Subsection (7)(a)(ii) shall be:

2376 (i) mailed to:

2377 (A) each affected entity;

2378 (B) the director of the Division of Drinking Water; and

2379 (C) the director of the Division of Water Quality; and

2380 (ii) published [~~on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601~~] for  
2381 the municipality, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at least 10 days.

2382 (c) An ordinance or regulation adopted under the authority of this section may not  
2383 conflict with:

2384 (i) existing federal or state statutes; or

2385 (ii) a rule created pursuant to a federal or state statute governing drinking water or  
2386 water quality.

2387 (d) A municipality that enacts an ordinance or regulation under the authority of this  
2388 section shall:

2389 (i) provide a copy of the ordinance or regulation to each affected entity; and

2390 (ii) include a copy of the ordinance or regulation in the municipality's drinking water  
2391 source protection plan.

2392 Section 40. Section **10-9a-203** is amended to read:

2393 **10-9a-203. Notice of intent to prepare a general plan or comprehensive general**  
2394 **plan amendments in certain municipalities.**

2395 (1) Before preparing a proposed general plan or a comprehensive general plan  
2396 amendment, each municipality within a county of the first or second class shall provide 10  
2397 calendar days notice of the municipality's intent to prepare a proposed general plan or a  
2398 comprehensive general plan amendment:

2399 (a) to each affected entity;

2400 (b) to the Utah Geospatial Resource Center created in Section [63A-16-505](#);

2401 (c) to the association of governments, established pursuant to an interlocal agreement  
2402 under Title 11, Chapter 13, Interlocal Cooperation Act, of which the municipality is a member;  
2403 and

2404 [~~(d) on the Utah Public Notice Website created under Section [63A-16-601](#).]~~

2405 (d) for the municipality, as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least 10  
2406 days.

2407 (2) Each notice under Subsection (1) shall:

2408 (a) indicate that the municipality intends to prepare a general plan or a comprehensive  
2409 general plan amendment, as the case may be;

2410 (b) describe or provide a map of the geographic area that will be affected by the general  
2411 plan or amendment;

2412 (c) be sent by mail, e-mail, or other effective means;

2413 (d) invite the affected entities to provide information for the municipality to consider in  
2414 the process of preparing, adopting, and implementing a general plan or amendment concerning:

2415 (i) impacts that the use of land proposed in the proposed general plan or amendment  
2416 may have; and

2417 (ii) uses of land within the municipality that the affected entity is considering that may  
2418 conflict with the proposed general plan or amendment; and

2419 (e) include the address of an Internet website, if the municipality has one, and the name  
2420 and telephone number of an individual where more information can be obtained concerning the  
2421 municipality's proposed general plan or amendment.

2422 Section 41. Section **10-9a-204** is amended to read:

2423 **10-9a-204. Notice of public hearings and public meetings to consider general plan**  
2424 **or modifications.**

2425 (1) Each municipality shall provide:

2426 (a) notice of the date, time, and place of the first public hearing to consider the original  
2427 adoption or any modification of all or any portion of a general plan; and

2428 (b) notice of each public meeting on the subject.

2429 (2) Each notice of a public hearing under Subsection (1)(a) shall be at least 10 calendar  
2430 days before the public hearing and shall be:

2431 (a) published [~~on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601~~] for  
2432 the municipality, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at least 10 days; and

2433 (b) mailed to each affected entity[~~; and~~].

2434 [~~(c) posted;~~]

2435 [~~(i) in at least three public locations within the municipality; or~~]

2436 [~~(ii) on the municipality's official website.~~]

2437 (3) Each notice of a public meeting under Subsection (1)(b) shall be at least 24 hours  
2438 before the meeting and shall be[~~:~~] published for the municipality, as a class A notice under  
2439 Section 63G-28-102, for at least 24 hours.

2440 [~~(a) published on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601; and~~]

2441 [~~(b) posted;~~]

2442 [~~(i) in at least three public locations within the municipality; or~~]

2443 [~~(ii) on the municipality's official website.~~]

2444 Section 42. Section **10-9a-205** is amended to read:

2445 **10-9a-205. Notice of public hearings and public meetings on adoption or**  
2446 **modification of land use regulation.**

2447 (1) Each municipality shall give:

2448 (a) notice of the date, time, and place of the first public hearing to consider the  
2449 adoption or any modification of a land use regulation; and

2450 (b) notice of each public meeting on the subject.

2451 (2) Each notice of a public hearing under Subsection (1)(a) shall be:

2452 (a) mailed to each affected entity at least 10 calendar days before the public hearing;

2453 and

2454 (b) provided for the area directly affected by the land use ordinance change, as a class

2455 B notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least 10 calendar days before the day of the public

2456 hearing.

2457 ~~[(b) posted:]~~

2458 ~~[(i) in at least three public locations within the municipality; or]~~

2459 ~~[(ii) on the municipality's official website; and]~~

2460 ~~[(c) (i) posted on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section [63A-16-601](#), at~~  
2461 ~~least 10 calendar days before the public hearing; or]~~

2462 ~~[(ii) mailed at least 10 days before the public hearing to:]~~

2463 ~~[(A) each property owner whose land is directly affected by the land use ordinance~~  
2464 ~~change; and]~~

2465 ~~[(B) each adjacent property owner within the parameters specified by municipal~~  
2466 ~~ordinance.]~~

2467 (3) In addition to the notice requirements described in Subsections (1) and (2), for any  
2468 proposed modification to the text of a zoning code, the notice posted in accordance with  
2469 Subsection (2) shall:

2470 (a) include a summary of the effect of the proposed modifications to the text of the  
2471 zoning code designed to be understood by a lay person; and

2472 (b) be provided to any person upon written request.

2473 (4) Each notice of a public meeting under Subsection (1)(b) shall be ~~[posted]~~ provided  
2474 for the municipality, as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least 24 hours before

2475 the meeting[.].

2476 [~~(a) in at least three public locations within the municipality; or]~~

2477 [~~(b) on the municipality's official website.]~~

2478 (5) (a) A municipality shall send a courtesy notice to each owner of private real  
2479 property whose property is located entirely or partially within a proposed zoning map  
2480 enactment or amendment at least 10 days before the scheduled day of the public hearing.

2481 (b) The notice shall:

2482 (i) identify with specificity each owner of record of real property that will be affected  
2483 by the proposed zoning map or map amendments;

2484 (ii) state the current zone in which the real property is located;

2485 (iii) state the proposed new zone for the real property;

2486 (iv) provide information regarding or a reference to the proposed regulations,  
2487 prohibitions, and permitted uses that the property will be subject to if the zoning map or map  
2488 amendment is adopted;

2489 (v) state that the owner of real property may no later than 10 days after the day of the  
2490 first public hearing file a written objection to the inclusion of the owner's property in the  
2491 proposed zoning map or map amendment;

2492 (vi) state the address where the property owner should file the protest;

2493 (vii) notify the property owner that each written objection filed with the municipality  
2494 will be provided to the municipal legislative body; and

2495 (viii) state the location, date, and time of the public hearing described in Section  
2496 [10-9a-502](#).

2497 (c) If a municipality mails notice to a property owner in accordance with Subsection  
2498 [~~(2)(c)(ii)~~] (2)(b) for a public hearing on a zoning map or map amendment, the notice required  
2499 in this Subsection (5) may be included in or part of the notice described in Subsection  
2500 [~~(2)(c)(ii)~~] (2)(b) rather than sent separately.

2501 Section 43. Section **10-9a-208** is amended to read:

2502 **10-9a-208. Hearing and notice for petition to vacate a public street.**

2503 (1) For any petition to vacate some or all of a public street or municipal utility  
2504 easement the legislative body shall:

2505 (a) hold a public hearing; and

2506 (b) give notice of the date, place, and time of the hearing, as provided in Subsection  
2507 (2).

2508 (2) At least 10 days before the public hearing under Subsection (1)(a), the legislative  
2509 body shall ensure that the notice required under Subsection (1)(b) is:

2510 (a) mailed to the record owner of each parcel that is accessed by the public street or  
2511 municipal utility easement;

2512 (b) mailed to each affected entity; and

2513 (c) [~~posted on or near~~] provided for the public street or municipal utility easement [~~in a~~  
2514 ~~manner that is calculated to alert the public; and~~], as a class A notice under Section  
2515 63G-28-102, for at least 10 days.

2516 [~~(d) (i) published on the website of the municipality in which the land subject to the~~  
2517 ~~petition is located until the public hearing concludes; and~~]

2518 [~~(ii) published on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601.~~]

2519 Section 44. Section **10-18-203** is amended to read:

2520 **10-18-203. Feasibility study on providing cable television or public**  
2521 **telecommunications services -- Public hearings -- Notice.**

2522 (1) If a feasibility consultant is hired under Section 10-18-202, the legislative body of  
2523 the municipality shall require the feasibility consultant to:

2524 (a) complete the feasibility study in accordance with this section;

2525 (b) submit to the legislative body by no later than 180 days from the date the feasibility  
2526 consultant is hired to conduct the feasibility study:

2527 (i) the full written results of the feasibility study; and

2528 (ii) a summary of the results that is no longer than one page in length; and

2529 (c) attend the public hearings described in Subsection (4) to:

2530 (i) present the feasibility study results; and

2531 (ii) respond to questions from the public.

2532 (2) The feasibility study described in Subsection (1) shall at a minimum consider:

2533 (a) (i) if the municipality is proposing to provide cable television services to  
2534 subscribers, whether the municipality providing cable television services in the manner  
2535 proposed by the municipality will hinder or advance competition for cable television services  
2536 in the municipality; or

2537 (ii) if the municipality is proposing to provide public telecommunications services to  
2538 subscribers, whether the municipality providing public telecommunications services in the  
2539 manner proposed by the municipality will hinder or advance competition for public  
2540 telecommunications services in the municipality;

2541 (b) whether but for the municipality any person would provide the proposed:

2542 (i) cable television services; or

2543 (ii) public telecommunications services;

2544 (c) the fiscal impact on the municipality of:

2545 (i) the capital investment in facilities that will be used to provide the proposed:

2546 (A) cable television services; or

2547 (B) public telecommunications services; and

2548 (ii) the expenditure of funds for labor, financing, and administering the proposed:

2549 (A) cable television services; or

2550 (B) public telecommunications services;

2551 (d) the projected growth in demand in the municipality for the proposed:

2552 (i) cable television services; or

2553 (ii) public telecommunications services;

2554 (e) the projections at the time of the feasibility study and for the next five years, of a  
2555 full-cost accounting for a municipality to purchase, lease, construct, maintain, or operate the  
2556 facilities necessary to provide the proposed:

2557 (i) cable television services; or

2558 (ii) public telecommunications services; and

2559 (f) the projections at the time of the feasibility study and for the next five years of the  
2560 revenues to be generated from the proposed:

2561 (i) cable television services; or

2562 (ii) public telecommunications services.

2563 (3) For purposes of the financial projections required under Subsections (2)(e) and (f),  
2564 the feasibility consultant shall assume that the municipality will price the proposed cable  
2565 television services or public telecommunications services consistent with Subsection  
2566 10-18-303(5).

2567 (4) If the results of the feasibility study satisfy the revenue requirement of Subsection

2568 10-18-202(3), the legislative body, at the next regular meeting after the legislative body  
2569 receives the results of the feasibility study, shall schedule at least two public hearings to be  
2570 held:

- 2571 (a) within 60 days of the meeting at which the public hearings are scheduled;
- 2572 (b) at least seven days apart; and
- 2573 (c) for the purpose of allowing:
  - 2574 (i) the feasibility consultant to present the results of the feasibility study; and
  - 2575 (ii) the public to:
    - 2576 (A) become informed about the feasibility study results; and
    - 2577 (B) ask questions of the feasibility consultant about the results of the feasibility study.

2578 (5) ~~(a)~~ The municipality shall provide notice of the public hearings required under  
2579 Subsection (4) ~~by:~~ for the municipality, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at  
2580 least three weeks before the day on which the first public hearing required under Subsection (4)  
2581 is held.

2582 ~~[(i) posting the notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section~~  
2583 ~~63A-16-601, for three weeks, at least three days before the first public hearing required under~~  
2584 ~~Subsection (4); and]~~

2585 ~~[(ii) posting at least one notice of the hearings per 1,000 residents, in a conspicuous~~  
2586 ~~place within the municipality that is likely to give notice of the hearings to the greatest number~~  
2587 ~~of residents of the municipality, subject to a maximum of 10 notices.]~~

2588 ~~[(b) The municipality shall post the notices at least seven days before the first public~~  
2589 ~~hearing required under Subsection (4) is held.]~~

2590 Section 45. Section 10-18-302 is amended to read:

2591 **10-18-302. Bonding authority.**

2592 (1) In accordance with Title 11, Chapter 14, Local Government Bonding Act, the  
2593 legislative body of a municipality may by resolution determine to issue one or more revenue  
2594 bonds or general obligation bonds to finance the capital costs for facilities necessary to provide  
2595 to subscribers:

- 2596 (a) a cable television service; or
- 2597 (b) a public telecommunications service.

2598 (2) The resolution described in Subsection (1) shall:

- 2599 (a) describe the purpose for which the indebtedness is to be created; and
- 2600 (b) specify the dollar amount of the one or more bonds proposed to be issued.
- 2601 (3) (a) A revenue bond issued under this section shall be secured and paid for:
- 2602 (i) from the revenues generated by the municipality from providing:
- 2603 (A) cable television services with respect to revenue bonds issued to finance facilities
- 2604 for the municipality's cable television services; and
- 2605 (B) public telecommunications services with respect to revenue bonds issued to finance
- 2606 facilities for the municipality's public telecommunications services; and
- 2607 (ii) notwithstanding Subsection (3)(b) and Subsection 10-18-303(3)(a), from revenues
- 2608 generated under Title 59, Chapter 12, Sales and Use Tax Act, if:
- 2609 (A) notwithstanding Subsection 11-14-201(3) and except as provided in Subsections
- 2610 (4) and (5), the revenue bond is approved by the registered voters in an election held:
- 2611 (I) except as provided in Subsection (3)(a)(ii)(A)(II), pursuant to the provisions of Title
- 2612 11, Chapter 14, Local Government Bonding Act, that govern bond elections; and
- 2613 (II) notwithstanding Subsection 11-14-203(2), at a regular general election;
- 2614 (B) the revenues described in this Subsection (3)(a)(ii) are pledged as security for the
- 2615 revenue bond; and
- 2616 (C) the municipality or municipalities annually appropriate the revenues described in
- 2617 this Subsection (3)(a)(ii) to secure and pay the revenue bond issued under this section.
- 2618 (b) Except as provided in Subsection (3)(a)(ii), a municipality may not pay the
- 2619 origination, financing, or other carrying costs associated with the one or more revenue bonds
- 2620 issued under this section from the town or city, respectively, general funds or other enterprise
- 2621 funds of the municipality.
- 2622 (4) (a) As used in this Subsection (4), "municipal entity" means an entity created
- 2623 pursuant to an agreement:
- 2624 (i) under Title 11, Chapter 13, Interlocal Cooperation Act; and
- 2625 (ii) to which a municipality is a party.
- 2626 (b) The requirements of Subsection (3)(a)(ii)(A) do not apply to a municipality or
- 2627 municipal entity that issues revenue bonds, or to a municipality that is a member of a municipal
- 2628 entity that issues revenue bonds, if:
- 2629 (i) on or before March 2, 2004, the municipality that is issuing revenue bonds or that is

2630 a member of a municipal entity that is issuing revenue bonds has published the first notice  
2631 described in Subsection (4)(b)(iii);

2632 (ii) on or before April 15, 2004, the municipality that is issuing revenue bonds or that  
2633 is a member of a municipal entity that is issuing revenue bonds makes the decision to pledge  
2634 the revenues described in Subsection (3)(a)(ii) as security for the revenue bonds described in  
2635 this Subsection (4)(b)(ii);

2636 (iii) (A) the municipality that is issuing the revenue bonds or the municipality that is a  
2637 member of the municipal entity that is issuing the revenue bonds has held a public hearing for  
2638 which public notice was given by publication of the notice [~~on the Utah Public Notice Website~~  
2639 ~~created in Section 63A-16-601~~] for the municipality, as a class A notice under Section  
2640 63G-28-102, for two weeks before the day of the public hearing; and

2641 (B) the notice identifies:

2642 (I) that the notice is given pursuant to Title 11, Chapter 14, Local Government Bonding  
2643 Act;

2644 (II) the purpose for the bonds to be issued;

2645 (III) the maximum amount of the revenues described in Subsection (3)(a)(ii) that will  
2646 be pledged in any fiscal year;

2647 (IV) the maximum number of years that the pledge will be in effect; and

2648 (V) the time, place, and location for the public hearing;

2649 (iv) the municipal entity that issues revenue bonds:

2650 (A) adopts a final financing plan; and

2651 (B) in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 2, Government Records Access and  
2652 Management Act, makes available to the public at the time the municipal entity adopts the final  
2653 financing plan:

2654 (I) the final financing plan; and

2655 (II) all contracts entered into by the municipal entity, except as protected by Title 63G,  
2656 Chapter 2, Government Records Access and Management Act;

2657 (v) any municipality that is a member of a municipal entity described in Subsection  
2658 (4)(b)(iv):

2659 (A) not less than 30 calendar days after the municipal entity complies with Subsection  
2660 (4)(b)(iv)(B), holds a final public hearing;

2661 (B) provides notice, at the time the municipality schedules the final public hearing, to  
2662 any person who has provided to the municipality a written request for notice; and

2663 (C) makes all reasonable efforts to provide fair opportunity for oral testimony by all  
2664 interested parties; and

2665 (vi) except with respect to a municipality that issued bonds prior to March 1, 2004, not  
2666 more than 50% of the average annual debt service of all revenue bonds described in this section  
2667 to provide service throughout the municipality or municipal entity may be paid from the  
2668 revenues described in Subsection (3)(a)(ii).

2669 (5) On or after July 1, 2007, the requirements of Subsection (3)(a)(ii)(A) do not apply  
2670 to a municipality that issues revenue bonds if:

2671 (a) (i) the municipality that is issuing the revenue bonds has held a public hearing for  
2672 which public notice was given by publication of the notice [~~on the Utah Public Notice Website~~  
2673 ~~created in Section 63A-16-601~~] for the municipality, as a class A notice under Section  
2674 63G-28-102, for 14 days before the day of the public hearing; and

2675 (ii) the notice identifies:

2676 (A) that the notice is given pursuant to Title 11, Chapter 14, Local Government  
2677 Bonding Act;

2678 (B) the purpose for the bonds to be issued;

2679 (C) the maximum amount of the revenues described in Subsection (3)(a)(ii) that will be  
2680 pledged in any fiscal year;

2681 (D) the maximum number of years that the pledge will be in effect; and

2682 (E) the time, place, and location for the public hearing; and

2683 (b) except with respect to a municipality that issued bonds prior to March 1, 2004, not  
2684 more than 50% of the average annual debt service of all revenue bonds described in this section  
2685 to provide service throughout the municipality or municipal entity may be paid from the  
2686 revenues described in Subsection (3)(a)(ii).

2687 (6) A municipality that issues bonds pursuant to this section may not make or grant any  
2688 undue or unreasonable preference or advantage to itself or to any private provider of:

2689 (a) cable television services; or

2690 (b) public telecommunications services.

2691 Section 46. Section **10-18-303** is amended to read:

2692 **10-18-303. General operating limitations -- Notice of change to price list.**

2693 A municipality that provides a cable television service or a public telecommunications  
2694 service under this chapter is subject to the operating limitations of this section.

2695 (1) A municipality that provides a cable television service shall comply with:

2696 (a) the Cable Communications Policy Act of 1984, 47 U.S.C. 521, et seq.; and

2697 (b) the regulations issued by the Federal Communications Commission under the Cable  
2698 Communications Policy Act of 1984, 47 U.S.C. 521, et seq.

2699 (2) A municipality that provides a public telecommunications service shall comply  
2700 with:

2701 (a) the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Pub. L. 104-104;

2702 (b) the regulations issued by the Federal Communications Commission under the  
2703 Telecommunications Act of 1996, Pub. L. 104-104;

2704 (c) Section [54-8b-2.2](#) relating to:

2705 (i) the interconnection of essential facilities; and

2706 (ii) the purchase and sale of essential services; and

2707 (d) the rules made by the Public Service Commission of Utah under Section [54-8b-2.2](#).

2708 (3) A municipality may not cross subsidize its cable television services or its public  
2709 telecommunications services with:

2710 (a) tax dollars;

2711 (b) income from other municipal or utility services;

2712 (c) below-market rate loans from the municipality; or

2713 (d) any other means.

2714 (4) (a) A municipality may not make or grant any undue or unreasonable preference or  
2715 advantage to itself or to any private provider of:

2716 (i) cable television services; or

2717 (ii) public telecommunications services.

2718 (b) A municipality shall apply without discrimination as to itself and to any private  
2719 provider the municipality's ordinances, rules, and policies, including those relating to:

2720 (i) obligation to serve;

2721 (ii) access to public rights of way;

2722 (iii) permitting;

2723 (iv) performance bonding;

2724 (v) reporting; and

2725 (vi) quality of service.

2726 (c) Subsections (4)(a) and (b) do not supersede the exception for a rural telephone

2727 company in Section 251 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Pub. L. 104-104.

2728 (5) In calculating the rates charged by a municipality for a cable television service or a

2729 public telecommunications service, the municipality:

2730 (a) shall include within its rates an amount equal to all taxes, fees, and other

2731 assessments that would be applicable to a similarly situated private provider of the same

2732 services, including:

2733 (i) federal, state, and local taxes;

2734 (ii) franchise fees;

2735 (iii) permit fees;

2736 (iv) pole attachment fees; and

2737 (v) fees similar to those described in Subsections (5)(a)(i) through (iv); and

2738 (b) may not price any cable television service or public telecommunications service at a

2739 level that is less than the sum of:

2740 (i) the actual direct costs of providing the service;

2741 (ii) the actual indirect costs of providing the service; and

2742 (iii) the amount determined under Subsection (5)(a).

2743 (6) (a) A municipality that provides cable television services or public

2744 telecommunications services shall establish and maintain a comprehensive price list of all cable

2745 television services or public telecommunications services offered by the municipality.

2746 (b) The price list required by Subsection (6)(a) shall:

2747 (i) include all terms and conditions relating to the municipality providing each cable

2748 television service or public telecommunications service offered by the municipality;

2749 (ii) be posted on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section [63A-16-601](#); and

2750 (iii) be available for inspection:

2751 (A) at a designated office of the municipality; and

2752 (B) during normal business hours.

2753 (c) At least five days before the date a change to a municipality's price list becomes

2754 effective, the municipality shall[?] provide notice of the change:

2755 (i) for the municipality, as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least five  
2756 days; and

2757 (ii) to any other persons requesting notification of any changes to the municipality's  
2758 price list.

2759 [~~(i) notify the following of the change:]~~

2760 [~~(A) all subscribers to the services for which the price list is being changed; and]~~

2761 [~~(B) any other persons requesting notification of any changes to the municipality's price~~  
2762 ~~list; and]~~

2763 [~~(ii) publish notice on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section [63A-16-601](#).]~~

2764 (d) A municipality may not offer a cable television service or a public  
2765 telecommunications service except in accordance with the prices, terms, and conditions set  
2766 forth in the municipality's price list.

2767 (7) A municipality may not offer to provide or provide cable television services or  
2768 public telecommunications services to a subscriber that does not reside within the geographic  
2769 boundaries of the municipality.

2770 (8) (a) A municipality shall keep accurate books and records of the municipality's:

2771 (i) cable television services; and

2772 (ii) public telecommunications services.

2773 (b) The books and records required to be kept under Subsection (8)(a) are subject to  
2774 legislative audit to verify the municipality's compliance with the requirements of this chapter  
2775 including:

2776 (i) pricing;

2777 (ii) recordkeeping; and

2778 (iii) antidiscrimination.

2779 (9) A municipality may not receive distributions from the Universal Public  
2780 Telecommunications Service Support Fund established in Section [54-8b-15](#).

2781 Section 47. Section **11-13-204** is amended to read:

2782 **11-13-204. Powers and duties of interlocal entities -- Additional powers of energy**  
2783 **services interlocal entities -- Length of term of agreement and interlocal entity -- Notice to**  
2784 **lieutenant governor -- Recording requirements -- Public Service Commission.**

2785 (1) (a) An interlocal entity:  
2786 (i) shall adopt bylaws, policies, and procedures for the regulation of its affairs and the  
2787 conduct of its business;  
2788 (ii) may:  
2789 (A) amend or repeal a bylaw, policy, or procedure;  
2790 (B) sue and be sued;  
2791 (C) have an official seal and alter that seal at will;  
2792 (D) make and execute contracts and other instruments necessary or convenient for the  
2793 performance of its duties and the exercise of its powers and functions;  
2794 (E) acquire real or personal property, or an undivided, fractional, or other interest in  
2795 real or personal property, necessary or convenient for the purposes contemplated in the  
2796 agreement creating the interlocal entity and sell, lease, or otherwise dispose of that property;  
2797 (F) directly or by contract with another:  
2798 (I) own and acquire facilities and improvements or an undivided, fractional, or other  
2799 interest in facilities and improvements;  
2800 (II) construct, operate, maintain, and repair facilities and improvements; and  
2801 (III) provide the services contemplated in the agreement creating the interlocal entity  
2802 and establish, impose, and collect rates, fees, and charges for the services provided by the  
2803 interlocal entity;  
2804 (G) borrow money, incur indebtedness, and issue revenue bonds, notes, or other  
2805 obligations and secure their payment by an assignment, pledge, or other conveyance of all or  
2806 any part of the revenues and receipts from the facilities, improvements, or services that the  
2807 interlocal entity provides;  
2808 (H) offer, issue, and sell warrants, options, or other rights related to the bonds, notes, or  
2809 other obligations issued by the interlocal entity;  
2810 (I) sell or contract for the sale of the services, output, product, or other benefits  
2811 provided by the interlocal entity to:  
2812 (I) public agencies inside or outside the state; and  
2813 (II) with respect to any excess services, output, product, or benefits, any person on  
2814 terms that the interlocal entity considers to be in the best interest of the public agencies that are  
2815 parties to the agreement creating the interlocal entity; and

2816 (J) create a local disaster recovery fund in the same manner and to the same extent as  
2817 authorized for a local government in accordance with Section 53-2a-605; and

2818 (iii) may not levy, assess, or collect ad valorem property taxes.

2819 (b) An assignment, pledge, or other conveyance under Subsection (1)(a)(ii)(G) may, to  
2820 the extent provided by the documents under which the assignment, pledge, or other conveyance  
2821 is made, rank prior in right to any other obligation except taxes or payments in lieu of taxes  
2822 payable to the state or its political subdivisions.

2823 (2) An energy services interlocal entity:

2824 (a) except with respect to any ownership interest it has in facilities providing additional  
2825 project capacity, is not subject to:

2826 (i) Part 3, Project Entity Provisions; or

2827 (ii) Title 59, Chapter 8, Gross Receipts Tax on Certain Corporations Not Required to  
2828 Pay Corporate Franchise or Income Tax Act; and

2829 (b) may:

2830 (i) own, acquire, and, by itself or by contract with another, construct, operate, and  
2831 maintain a facility or improvement for the generation, transmission, and transportation of  
2832 electric energy or related fuel supplies;

2833 (ii) enter into a contract to obtain a supply of electric power and energy and ancillary  
2834 services, transmission, and transportation services, and supplies of natural gas and fuels  
2835 necessary for the operation of generation facilities;

2836 (iii) enter into a contract with public agencies, investor-owned or cooperative utilities,  
2837 and others, whether located in or out of the state, for the sale of wholesale services provided by  
2838 the energy services interlocal entity; and

2839 (iv) adopt and implement risk management policies and strategies and enter into  
2840 transactions and agreements to manage the risks associated with the purchase and sale of  
2841 energy, including forward purchase and sale contracts, hedging, tolling and swap agreements,  
2842 and other instruments.

2843 (3) Notwithstanding Section 11-13-216, an agreement creating an interlocal entity or  
2844 an amendment to that agreement may provide that the agreement may continue and the  
2845 interlocal entity may remain in existence until the latest to occur of:

2846 (a) 50 years after the date of the agreement or amendment;

2847 (b) five years after the interlocal entity has fully paid or otherwise discharged all of its  
2848 indebtedness;

2849 (c) five years after the interlocal entity has abandoned, decommissioned, or conveyed  
2850 or transferred all of its interest in its facilities and improvements; or

2851 (d) five years after the facilities and improvements of the interlocal entity are no longer  
2852 useful in providing the service, output, product, or other benefit of the facilities and  
2853 improvements, as determined under the agreement governing the sale of the service, output,  
2854 product, or other benefit.

2855 (4) (a) Upon execution of an agreement to approve the creation of an interlocal entity,  
2856 including an electric interlocal entity and an energy services interlocal entity, the governing  
2857 body of a member of the interlocal entity under Section 11-13-203 shall:

2858 (i) within 30 days after the date of the agreement, jointly file with the lieutenant  
2859 governor:

2860 (A) a copy of a notice of an impending boundary action, as defined in Section  
2861 67-1a-6.5, that meets the requirements of Subsection 67-1a-6.5(3); and

2862 (B) if less than all of the territory of any Utah public agency that is a party to the  
2863 agreement is included within the interlocal entity, a copy of an approved final local entity plat,  
2864 as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5; and

2865 (ii) upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of creation under Section  
2866 67-1a-6.5:

2867 (A) if the interlocal entity is located within the boundary of a single county, submit to  
2868 the recorder of that county:

2869 (I) the original:

2870 (Aa) notice of an impending boundary action;

2871 (Bb) certificate of creation; and

2872 (Cc) approved final local entity plat, if an approved final local entity plat was required  
2873 to be filed with the lieutenant governor under Subsection (4)(a)(i)(B); and

2874 (II) a certified copy of the agreement approving the creation of the interlocal entity; or

2875 (B) if the interlocal entity is located within the boundaries of more than a single  
2876 county:

2877 (I) submit to the recorder of one of those counties:

2878 (Aa) the original of the documents listed in Subsections (4)(a)(ii)(A)(I)(Aa), (Bb), and  
2879 (Cc); and

2880 (Bb) a certified copy of the agreement approving the creation of the interlocal entity;  
2881 and

2882 (II) submit to the recorder of each other county:

2883 (Aa) a certified copy of the documents listed in Subsections (4)(a)(ii)(A)(I)(Aa), (Bb),  
2884 and (Cc); and

2885 (Bb) a certified copy of the agreement approving the creation of the interlocal entity.

2886 (b) Upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of creation under Section  
2887 67-1a-6.5, the interlocal entity is created.

2888 (c) Until the documents listed in Subsection (4)(a)(ii) are recorded in the office of the  
2889 recorder of each county in which the property is located, a newly created interlocal entity may  
2890 not charge or collect a fee for service provided to property within the interlocal entity.

2891 (5) Nothing in this section may be construed as expanding the rights of any  
2892 municipality or interlocal entity to sell or provide retail service.

2893 (6) Except as provided in Subsection (7):

2894 (a) nothing in this section may be construed to expand or limit the rights of a  
2895 municipality to sell or provide retail electric service; and

2896 (b) an energy services interlocal entity may not provide retail electric service to  
2897 customers located outside the municipal boundaries of its members.

2898 (7) (a) An energy services interlocal entity created before July 1, 2003, that is  
2899 comprised solely of Utah municipalities and that, for a minimum of 50 years before July 1,  
2900 2010, provided retail electric service to customers outside the municipal boundaries of its  
2901 members, may provide retail electric service outside the municipal boundaries of its members  
2902 if:

2903 (i) the energy services interlocal entity:

2904 (A) enters into a written agreement with each public utility holding a certificate of  
2905 public convenience and necessity issued by the Public Service Commission to provide service  
2906 within an agreed upon geographic area for the energy services interlocal entity to be  
2907 responsible to provide electric service in the agreed upon geographic area outside the municipal  
2908 boundaries of the members of the energy services interlocal entity; and

2909 (B) obtains a franchise agreement, with the legislative body of the county or other  
2910 governmental entity for the geographic area in which the energy services interlocal entity  
2911 provides service outside the municipal boundaries of its members; and

2912 (ii) each public utility described in Subsection (7)(a)(i)(A) applies for and obtains from  
2913 the Public Service Commission approval of the agreement specified in Subsection (7)(a)(i)(A).

2914 (b) (i) The Public Service Commission shall, after a public hearing held in accordance  
2915 with Title 52, Chapter 4, Open and Public Meetings Act, approve an agreement described in  
2916 Subsection (7)(a)(ii) if it determines that the agreement is in the public interest in that it  
2917 incorporates the customer protections described in Subsection (7)(c) and the franchise  
2918 agreement described in Subsection (7)(a)(i)(B) provides a reasonable mechanism using a  
2919 neutral arbiter or ombudsman for resolving potential future complaints by customers of the  
2920 energy services interlocal entity.

2921 (ii) In approving an agreement, the Public Service Commission shall also amend the  
2922 certificate of public convenience and necessity of any public utility described in Subsection  
2923 (7)(a)(i) to delete from the geographic area specified in the certificate or certificates of the  
2924 public utility the geographic area that the energy services interlocal entity has agreed to serve.

2925 (c) In providing retail electric service to customers outside of the municipal boundaries  
2926 of its members, but not within the municipal boundaries of another municipality that grants a  
2927 franchise agreement in accordance with Subsection (7)(a)(i)(B), an energy services interlocal  
2928 entity shall comply with the following:

2929 (i) the rates and conditions of service for customers outside the municipal boundaries  
2930 of the members shall be at least as favorable as the rates and conditions of service for similarly  
2931 situated customers within the municipal boundaries of the members;

2932 (ii) the energy services interlocal entity shall operate as a single entity providing  
2933 service both inside and outside of the municipal boundaries of its members;

2934 (iii) a general rebate, refund, or other payment made to customers located within the  
2935 municipal boundaries of the members shall also be provided to similarly situated customers  
2936 located outside the municipal boundaries of the members;

2937 (iv) a schedule of rates and conditions of service, or any change to the rates and  
2938 conditions of service, shall be approved by the governing board of the energy services  
2939 interlocal entity;

2940 (v) before implementation of any rate increase, the governing board of the energy  
2941 services interlocal entity shall first hold a public meeting to take public comment on the  
2942 proposed increase, after providing:

2943 (A) at least 20 days and not more than 60 days' advance written notice to its customers  
2944 on the ordinary billing [~~and on the Utah Public Notice Website, created by Section~~  
2945 ~~63A-16-601~~]; and

2946 (B) notice for the interlocal entity, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at  
2947 least 20 days; and

2948 (vi) the energy services interlocal entity shall file with the Public Service Commission  
2949 its current schedule of rates and conditions of service.

2950 (d) The Public Service Commission shall make the schedule of rates and conditions of  
2951 service of the energy services interlocal entity available for public inspection.

2952 (e) Nothing in this section:

2953 (i) gives the Public Service Commission jurisdiction over the provision of retail  
2954 electric service by an energy services interlocal entity within the municipal boundaries of its  
2955 members; or

2956 (ii) makes an energy services interlocal entity a public utility under Title 54, Public  
2957 Utilities.

2958 (f) Nothing in this section expands or diminishes the jurisdiction of the Public Service  
2959 Commission over a municipality or an association of municipalities organized under Title 11,  
2960 Chapter 13, Interlocal Cooperation Act, except as specifically authorized by this section's  
2961 language.

2962 (g) (i) An energy services interlocal entity described in Subsection (7)(a) retains its  
2963 authority to provide electric service to the extent authorized by Sections 11-13-202 and  
2964 11-13-203 and Subsections 11-13-204(1) through (5).

2965 (ii) Notwithstanding Subsection (7)(g)(i), if the Public Service Commission approves  
2966 the agreement described in Subsection (7)(a)(i), the energy services interlocal entity may not  
2967 provide retail electric service to customers located outside the municipal boundaries of its  
2968 members, except for customers located within the geographic area described in the agreement.

2969 Section 48. Section 11-13-219 is amended to read:

2970 **11-13-219. Publication of resolutions or agreements -- Contesting legality of**

2971 **resolution or agreement.**

2972 (1) As used in this section:

2973 (a) "Enactment" means:

2974 (i) a resolution adopted or proceedings taken by a governing body under the authority  
2975 of this chapter, and includes a resolution, indenture, or other instrument providing for the  
2976 issuance of bonds; and

2977 (ii) an agreement or other instrument that is authorized, executed, or approved by a  
2978 governing body under the authority of this chapter.

2979 (b) "Governing body" means:

2980 (i) the legislative body of a public agency; or

2981 (ii) the governing authority of an interlocal entity created under this chapter.

2982 (c) "Notice of agreement" means the notice authorized by Subsection (3)(c).

2983 (d) "Notice of bonds" means the notice authorized by Subsection (3)(d).

2984 (2) Any enactment taken or made under the authority of this chapter is not subject to  
2985 referendum.

2986 (3) (a) A governing body need not publish any enactment taken or made under the  
2987 authority of this chapter.

2988 (b) A governing body may provide for the publication of any enactment taken or made  
2989 by it under the authority of this chapter according to the publication requirements established  
2990 by this section.

2991 (c) (i) If the enactment is an agreement, document, or other instrument, or a resolution  
2992 or other proceeding authorizing or approving an agreement, document, or other instrument, the  
2993 governing body may, instead of publishing the full text of the agreement, resolution, or other  
2994 proceeding, publish a notice of agreement containing:

2995 (A) the names of the parties to the agreement;

2996 (B) the general subject matter of the agreement;

2997 (C) the term of the agreement;

2998 (D) a description of the payment obligations, if any, of the parties to the agreement;

2999 and

3000 (E) a statement that the resolution and agreement will be available for review at the  
3001 governing body's principal place of business during regular business hours for 30 days after the

3002 publication of the notice of agreement.

3003 (ii) The governing body shall make a copy of the resolution or other proceeding and a  
3004 copy of the contract available at its principal place of business during regular business hours  
3005 for 30 days after the publication of the notice of agreement.

3006 (d) If the enactment is a resolution or other proceeding authorizing the issuance of  
3007 bonds, the governing body may, instead of publishing the full text of the resolution or other  
3008 proceeding and the documents pertaining to the issuance of bonds, publish a notice of bonds  
3009 that contains the information described in Subsection 11-14-316(2).

3010 (4) (a) If the governing body chooses to publish an enactment, notice of bonds, or  
3011 notice of agreement, the governing body shall comply with the requirements of this Subsection  
3012 (4).

3013 (b) The governing body shall post the enactment, notice of bonds, or notice of  
3014 agreement [~~on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601~~] for the  
3015 governing body's geographic jurisdiction, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for 30  
3016 days.

3017 (5) (a) Any person in interest may contest the legality of an enactment or any action  
3018 performed or instrument issued under the authority of the enactment for 30 days after the  
3019 posting of the enactment, notice of bonds, or notice of agreement.

3020 (b) After the 30 days have passed, no one may contest the regularity, formality, or  
3021 legality of the enactment or any action performed or instrument issued under the authority of  
3022 the enactment for any cause whatsoever.

3023 Section 49. Section 11-13-509 is amended to read:

3024 **11-13-509. Hearing to consider adoption -- Notice.**

3025 (1) At the meeting at which the tentative budget is adopted, the governing board shall:

3026 (a) establish the time and place of a public hearing to consider its adoption; and

3027 (b) except as provided in Subsection (2) [~~or (5)~~], order that notice of the hearing[:;(i)]  
3028 be published, for at least seven days before the day of the hearing, [~~in at least one issue of a~~  
3029 ~~newspaper of general circulation in a county in which the interlocal entity provides service to~~  
3030 ~~the public or in which its members are located, if such a newspaper is generally circulated in~~  
3031 ~~the county or counties; and] for the interlocal entity's service area, as a class A notice under  
3032 Section 63G-28-102.~~

3033 ~~[(ii) be published at least seven days before the day of the hearing on the Utah Public~~  
 3034 ~~Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601.]~~

3035 (2) If the budget hearing is held in conjunction with a tax increase hearing, the notice  
 3036 required in Subsection (1)(b):

3037 (a) may be combined with the notice required under Section 59-2-919; and

3038 (b) shall be published in accordance with the advertisement provisions of Section  
 3039 59-2-919.

3040 (3) Proof that notice was given in accordance with Subsection ~~[(1)(b), (2), or (5)]~~

3041 (1)(b), or (2) is prima facie evidence that notice was properly given.

3042 (4) If a notice required under Subsection ~~[(1)(b), (2), or (5)]~~ (1)(b), or (2) is not

3043 challenged within 30 days after the day on which the hearing is held, the notice is adequate and  
 3044 proper.

3045 ~~[(5) A governing board of an interlocal entity with an annual operating budget of less~~  
 3046 ~~than \$250,000 may satisfy the notice requirements in Subsection (1)(b) by:]~~

3047 ~~[(a) mailing a written notice, postage prepaid, to each voter in an interlocal entity; and]~~

3048 ~~[(b) posting the notice in three public places within the interlocal entity's service area.]~~

3049 Section 50. Section 11-14-202 is amended to read:

3050 **11-14-202. Notice of election -- Voter information pamphlet option -- Changing**  
 3051 **or designating additional precinct polling places.**

3052 (1) The governing body shall provide notice of the election~~[:]~~ for the local political  
 3053 subdivision for at least three weeks before the day of the election, as a class A notice under  
 3054 Section 63G-28-102.

3055 ~~[(a) (i) at least 21 days before the day of the election, by posting one notice, and at least~~  
 3056 ~~one additional notice per 2,000 population of the local political subdivision, in places within~~  
 3057 ~~the local political subdivision that are most likely to give notice to the voters in the local~~  
 3058 ~~political subdivision, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or]~~

3059 ~~[(ii) at least three weeks before the day of the election, by mailing notice to each~~  
 3060 ~~registered voter in the local political subdivision;]~~

3061 ~~[(b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section~~  
 3062 ~~63A-16-601, for three weeks before the day of the election; and]~~

3063 ~~[(c) if the local political subdivision has a website, by posting notice on the local~~

3064 ~~political subdivision's website for at least three weeks before the day of the election.]~~

3065 (2) When the debt service on the bonds to be issued will increase the property tax  
3066 imposed upon the average value of a residence by an amount that is greater than or equal to \$15  
3067 per year, the governing body shall prepare and mail either a voter information pamphlet or a  
3068 notification described in Subsection (8):

3069 (a) at least 15 days, but not more than 45 days, before the bond election;

3070 (b) to each household containing a registered voter who is eligible to vote on the  
3071 bonds; and

3072 (c) that includes the information required by Subsections (4) and (5).

3073 (3) The election officer may change the location of, or establish an additional:

3074 (a) voting precinct polling place, in accordance with Subsection (6);

3075 (b) early voting polling place, in accordance with Subsection 20A-3a-603(2); or

3076 (c) election day voting center, in accordance with Subsection 20A-3a-703(2).

3077 (4) The notice described in Subsection (1) and the voter information pamphlet  
3078 described in Subsection (2):

3079 (a) shall include, in the following order:

3080 (i) the date of the election;

3081 (ii) the hours during which the polls will be open;

3082 (iii) the address of the Statewide Electronic Voter Information Website and, if  
3083 available, the address of the election officer's website, with a statement indicating that the  
3084 election officer will post on the website the location of each polling place for each voting  
3085 precinct, each early voting polling place, and each election day voting center, including any  
3086 changes to the location of a polling place and the location of an additional polling place;

3087 (iv) a phone number that a voter may call to obtain information regarding the location  
3088 of a polling place; and

3089 (v) the title and text of the ballot proposition, including the property tax cost of the  
3090 bond described in Subsection 11-14-206(2)(a); and

3091 (b) may include the location of each polling place.

3092 (5) The voter information pamphlet required by this section shall include:

3093 (a) the information required under Subsection (4); and

3094 (b) an explanation of the property tax impact, if any, of the issuance of the bonds,

3095 which may be based on information the governing body determines to be useful, including:  
3096 (i) expected debt service on the bonds to be issued;  
3097 (ii) a description of the purpose, remaining principal balance, and maturity date of any  
3098 outstanding general obligation bonds of the issuer;  
3099 (iii) funds other than property taxes available to pay debt service on general obligation  
3100 bonds;  
3101 (iv) timing of expenditures of bond proceeds;  
3102 (v) property values; and  
3103 (vi) any additional information that the governing body determines may be useful to  
3104 explain the property tax impact of issuance of the bonds.  
3105 (6) (a) Except as provided in Section 20A-1-308, the election officer may, after the  
3106 deadlines described in Subsections (1) and (2):  
3107 (i) if necessary, change the location of a voting precinct polling place; or  
3108 (ii) if the election officer determines that the number of voting precinct polling places  
3109 is insufficient due to the number of registered voters who are voting, designate additional  
3110 voting precinct polling places.  
3111 (b) Except as provided in Section 20A-1-308, if an election officer changes the  
3112 location of a voting precinct polling place or designates an additional voting precinct polling  
3113 place, the election officer shall, as soon as is reasonably possible, give notice of the dates,  
3114 times, and location of a changed voting precinct polling place or an additional voting precinct  
3115 polling place:  
3116 (i) to the lieutenant governor, for posting on the Statewide Electronic Voter  
3117 Information Website;  
3118 (ii) by posting the information on the website of the election officer, if available; and  
3119 (iii) by posting notice:  
3120 (A) of a change in the location of a voting precinct polling place, at the new location  
3121 and, if possible, the old location; and  
3122 (B) of an additional voting precinct polling place, at the additional voting precinct  
3123 polling place.  
3124 (7) The governing body shall pay the costs associated with the notice required by this  
3125 section.

3126 (8) (a) The governing body may mail a notice printed on a postage prepaid,  
3127 preaddressed return form that a person may use to request delivery of a voter information  
3128 pamphlet by mail.

3129 (b) The notice described in Subsection (8)(a) shall include:

3130 (i) the website upon which the voter information pamphlet is available; and

3131 (ii) the phone number a voter may call to request delivery of a voter information  
3132 pamphlet by mail.

3133 (9) A local school board shall comply with the voter information pamphlet  
3134 requirements described in Section [53G-4-603](#).

3135 Section 51. Section **11-14-315** is amended to read:

3136 **11-14-315. Nature and validity of bonds issued -- Applicability of other statutory**  
3137 **provisions -- Budget provision required -- Applicable procedures for issuance -- Notice.**

3138 Bonds issued under this chapter shall have all the qualities of negotiable paper, shall be  
3139 incontestable in the hands of bona fide purchasers or holders for value and are not invalid for  
3140 any irregularity or defect in the proceedings for their issuance and sale. This chapter is  
3141 intended to afford an alternative method for the issuance of bonds by local political  
3142 subdivisions and may not be so construed as to deprive any local political subdivision of the  
3143 right to issue its bonds under authority of any other statute, but nevertheless this chapter shall  
3144 constitute full authority for the issue and sale of bonds by local political subdivisions. The  
3145 provisions of Section [11-1-1](#) are not applicable to bonds issued under this chapter. Any local  
3146 political subdivision subject to the provisions of any budget law shall in its annual budget make  
3147 proper provision for the payment of principal and interest currently falling due on bonds issued  
3148 hereunder, but no provision need be made in any such budget prior to the issuance of the bonds  
3149 for the issuance thereof or for the expenditure of the proceeds thereof. No ordinance,  
3150 resolution or proceeding in respect to the issuance of bonds hereunder shall be necessary except  
3151 as herein specifically required, nor shall the publication of any resolution, proceeding or notice  
3152 relating to the issuance of the bonds be necessary except as herein required. Any publication  
3153 made hereunder shall be made by [~~posting on the Utah Public Notice Website created in~~  
3154 ~~Section [63A-16-601](#)]~~ providing notice for the local political subdivision, as a class A notice  
3155 under Section [63G-28-102](#). No resolution adopted or proceeding taken hereunder shall be  
3156 subject to referendum petition or to an election other than as herein required. All proceedings

3157 adopted hereunder may be adopted on a single reading at any legally convened meeting of the  
3158 governing body.

3159 Section 52. Section **11-14-316** is amended to read:

3160 **11-14-316. Publication of notice, resolution, or other proceeding -- Contest.**

3161 (1) The governing body of any local political subdivision may provide for the  
3162 publication of any resolution or other proceeding adopted under this chapter:

3163 (a) ~~[in a newspaper having general circulation in]~~ for the local political subdivision, as  
3164 a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least 30 days; and

3165 (b) as required in Section [45-1-101](#).

3166 (2) When a resolution or other proceeding provides for the issuance of bonds, the  
3167 governing body may, in lieu of publishing the entire resolution or other proceeding, publish a  
3168 notice of bonds to be issued, titled as such, containing:

3169 (a) the name of the issuer;

3170 (b) the purpose of the issue;

3171 (c) the type of bonds and the maximum principal amount which may be issued;

3172 (d) the maximum number of years over which the bonds may mature;

3173 (e) the maximum interest rate which the bonds may bear, if any;

3174 (f) the maximum discount from par, expressed as a percentage of principal amount, at  
3175 which the bonds may be sold;

3176 (g) a general description of the security pledged for repayment of the bonds;

3177 (h) the total par amount of bonds currently outstanding that are secured by the same  
3178 pledge of revenues as the proposed bonds, if any;

3179 (i) information on a method by which an individual may obtain access to more detailed  
3180 information relating to the outstanding bonds of the local political subdivision;

3181 (j) the estimated total cost to the local political subdivision for the proposed bonds if  
3182 the bonds are held until maturity, based on interest rates in effect at the time that the local  
3183 political subdivision publishes the notice; and

3184 (k) the times and place where a copy of the resolution or other proceeding may be  
3185 examined, which shall be:

3186 (i) at an office of the issuer identified in the notice, during regular business hours of the  
3187 issuer as described in the notice; and

- 3188 (ii) for a period of at least 30 days after the publication of the notice.
- 3189 (3) For a period of 30 days after the publication, any person in interest may contest:
- 3190 (a) the legality of such resolution or proceeding;
- 3191 (b) any bonds which may be authorized by such resolution or proceeding; or
- 3192 (c) any provisions made for the security and payment of the bonds.
- 3193 (4) A person shall contest the matters set forth in Subsection (3) by filing a verified
- 3194 written complaint in the district court of the county in which he resides within the 30-day
- 3195 period.
- 3196 (5) After the 30-day period, no person may contest the regularity, formality, or legality
- 3197 of the resolution or proceeding for any reason.

3198 Section 53. Section **11-14-318** is amended to read:

3199 **11-14-318. Public hearing required -- Notice.**

- 3200 (1) Before issuing bonds authorized under this chapter, a local political subdivision
- 3201 shall:
- 3202 (a) in accordance with Subsection (2), provide public notice of the local political
- 3203 subdivision's intent to issue bonds; and
- 3204 (b) hold a public hearing:
- 3205 (i) if an election is required under this chapter:
- 3206 (A) no sooner than 30 days before the day on which the notice of election is published
- 3207 under Section [11-14-202](#); and
- 3208 (B) no later than five business days before the day on which the notice of election is
- 3209 published under Section [11-14-202](#); and
- 3210 (ii) to receive input from the public with respect to:
- 3211 (A) the issuance of the bonds; and
- 3212 (B) the potential economic impact that the improvement, facility, or property for which
- 3213 the bonds pay all or part of the cost will have on the private sector.
- 3214 (2) A local political subdivision shall:
- 3215 (a) publish the notice required by Subsection (1)(a) [~~on the Utah Public Notice~~
- 3216 ~~Website, created under Section [63A-16-601](#);~~] for the local political subdivision, as a class A
- 3217 notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for no less than 14 days before the day of the public hearing
- 3218 required by Subsection (1)(b); and

- 3219 (b) ensure that the notice:
- 3220 (i) identifies:
- 3221 (A) the purpose for the issuance of the bonds;
- 3222 (B) the maximum principal amount of the bonds to be issued;
- 3223 (C) the taxes, if any, proposed to be pledged for repayment of the bonds; and
- 3224 (D) the time, place, and location of the public hearing; and
- 3225 (ii) informs the public that the public hearing will be held for the purposes described in
- 3226 Subsection (1)(b)(ii).

3227 Section 54. Section **11-14a-1** is amended to read:

3228 **11-14a-1. Notice of debt issuance.**

3229 (1) For purposes of this chapter:

3230 (a) (i) "Debt" includes bonds, lease purchase agreements, certificates of participation,

3231 and contracts with municipal building authorities.

3232 (ii) "Debt" does not include tax and revenue anticipation notes or refunding bonds.

3233 (b) (i) "Local government entity" means a county, city, town, school district, local

3234 district, or special service district.

3235 (ii) "Local government entity" does not mean an entity created by an interlocal

3236 agreement under Title 11, Chapter 13, Interlocal Cooperation Act that has assets over

3237 \$10,000,000.

3238 (c) "New debt resolution" means a resolution authorizing the issuance of debt wholly

3239 or partially to fund a rejected project.

3240 (d) "Rejected Project" means a project for which a local government entity sought

3241 voter approval for general obligation bond financing and failed to receive that approval.

3242 (2) Unless a local government entity complies with the requirements of this section, it

3243 may not adopt a new debt resolution.

3244 (3) (a) Before adopting a new debt resolution, a local government entity shall[;]

3245 [(†)] advertise the local government entity's intent to issue debt by [~~posting~~] providing a

3246 notice of that intent [~~on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601;~~] for

3247 the local government entity, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for the two weeks

3248 before the meeting at which the resolution will be considered[; ~~or~~].

3249 [(ii) ~~include notice of its intent to issue debt in a bill or other mailing sent to at least~~

3250 95% of the residents of the local government entity.]

3251 (b) The local government entity shall ensure that the notice:

3252 (i) except for website publication, is at least as large as the bill or other mailing that it  
3253 accompanies;

3254 (ii) is entitled, in type size no smaller than 24 point, "Intent to Issue Debt"; and

3255 (iii) contains the information required by Subsection (3)(c).

3256 (c) The local government entity shall ensure that the advertisement or notice described  
3257 in Subsection (3)(a):

3258 (i) identifies the local government entity;

3259 (ii) states that the entity will meet on a day, time, and place identified in the  
3260 advertisement or notice to hear public comments regarding a resolution authorizing the  
3261 issuance of debt by the entity and to explain to the public the reasons for the issuance of debt;

3262 (iii) contains:

3263 (A) the name of the entity that will issue the debt;

3264 (B) the purpose of the debt; and

3265 (C) that type of debt and the maximum principal amount that may be issued;

3266 (iv) invites all concerned citizens to attend the public hearing; and

3267 (v) states that some or all of the proposed debt would fund a project whose general  
3268 obligation bond financing was rejected by the voters.

3269 (4) (a) The resolution considered at the hearing shall identify:

3270 (i) the type of debt proposed to be issued;

3271 (ii) the maximum principal amount that might be issued;

3272 (iii) the interest rate;

3273 (iv) the term of the debt; and

3274 (v) how the debt will be repaid.

3275 (b) (i) Except as provided in Subsection (4)(b)(ii), the resolution considered at the  
3276 hearing need not be in final form and need not be adopted or rejected at the meeting at which  
3277 the public hearing is held.

3278 (ii) The local government entity may not, in the final resolution, increase the maximum  
3279 principal amount of debt contained in the notice and discussed at the hearing.

3280 (c) The local government entity may adopt, amend and adopt, or reject the resolution at

3281 a later meeting without recomplying with the published notice requirements of this section.

3282 Section 55. Section **11-17-16** is amended to read:

3283 **11-17-16. Publication of resolutions and notice of bonds to be issued.**

3284 (1) (a) The governing body may provide for the publication of any resolution or other  
3285 proceeding adopted by it under this chapter, including all resolutions providing for the sale or  
3286 lease of any land by the municipality, county, or state university in connection with the  
3287 establishment, acquisition, development, maintenance, and operation of an industrial park.

3288 (b) The publication shall be given:

3289 (i) [~~The publication shall be:~~] as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at  
3290 least seven days:

3291 (A) [~~in a newspaper qualified to carry legal notices having general circulation in~~] for  
3292 the municipality or county; or

3293 (B) in the case of a state university, [~~in a newspaper of general circulation in~~] for the  
3294 county within which the principal administrative office of the state university is located; and

3295 (ii) as required in Section [45-1-101](#).

3296 (2) In case of a resolution or other proceeding providing for the issuance of bonds, the  
3297 governing body may, in lieu of publishing the entire resolution or other proceeding, publish a  
3298 notice of bonds to be issued, titled as such, containing:

3299 (a) the name of the issuer;

3300 (b) the purpose of the issue;

3301 (c) the name of the users, if known;

3302 (d) the maximum principal amount which may be issued;

3303 (e) the maximum number of years over which the bonds may mature; and

3304 (f) the times and place where a copy of the resolution or other proceeding may be  
3305 examined, which shall be at an office of the issuer, identified in the notice, during regular  
3306 business hours of the issuer as described in the notice and for a period of at least 30 days after  
3307 the publication of the notice.

3308 (3) For a period of 30 days after publication any person in interest may contest the  
3309 legality of the resolution, proceeding, any bonds which may be authorized under them, or any  
3310 provisions made for the security and payment of the bonds. After expiration of the 30-day  
3311 period no person may contest the regularity, formality, or legality of the resolution,

3312 proceedings, bonds, or security provisions for any cause.

3313 Section 56. Section 11-27-4 is amended to read:

3314 **11-27-4. Publication of resolution -- Notice of bond issue -- Contest of resolution**  
3315 **or proceeding.**

3316 (1) The governing body of any public body may provide for the publication of any  
3317 resolution or other proceeding adopted by it under this chapter:

3318 (a) ~~[in a newspaper having general circulation in]~~ for the public body, as a class A  
3319 notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at least seven days; and

3320 (b) as required in Section 45-1-101.

3321 (2) In case of a resolution or other proceeding providing for the issuance of refunding  
3322 bonds (or for a combined issue of refunding bonds and bonds issued for any other purpose), the  
3323 governing body may, instead of publishing the entire resolution or other proceeding, publish a  
3324 notice of bonds to be issued, entitled accordingly, and containing:

3325 (a) the name of the issuer;

3326 (b) the purposes of the issue;

3327 (c) the maximum principal amount which may be issued;

3328 (d) the maximum number of years over which the bonds may mature;

3329 (e) the maximum interest rate which the bonds may bear;

3330 (f) the maximum discount from par, expressed as a percentage of principal amount, at  
3331 which the bonds may be sold;

3332 (g) a general description of the security pledged for repayment of the bonds; and

3333 (h) the times and place where a copy of the resolution or other proceeding authorizing  
3334 the issuance of the bonds may be examined, which shall be at an office of the governing body  
3335 identified in the notice, during regular business hours of the governing body as described in the  
3336 notice and for a period of at least 30 days after the publication of the notice.

3337 (3) For a period of 30 days after the publication, any person in interest shall have the  
3338 right to contest the legality of the resolution or proceeding or any bonds which may be so  
3339 authorized or any provisions made for the security and payment of these bonds; and after this  
3340 time no person shall have any cause of action to contest the regularity, formality, or legality  
3341 thereof for any cause.

3342 Section 57. Section 11-27-5 is amended to read:

3343           **11-27-5. Negotiability of bonds -- Intent and construction of chapter -- Budget for**  
 3344 **payment of bonds -- Proceedings limited to those required by chapter -- Notice -- No**  
 3345 **election required -- Application of chapter.**

3346           (1) Refunding bonds shall have all the qualities of negotiable paper, shall be  
 3347 incontestable in the hands of bona fide purchasers or holders for value, and are not invalid for  
 3348 any irregularity or defect in the proceedings for their issuance and sale. This chapter is  
 3349 intended to afford an alternative method for the issuance of refunding bonds by public bodies  
 3350 and may not be construed to deprive any public body of the right to issue bonds for refunding  
 3351 purposes under authority of any other statute, but this chapter, nevertheless, shall constitute full  
 3352 authority for the issue and sale of refunding bonds by public bodies. Section [11-1-1](#), however,  
 3353 is not applicable to refunding bonds.

3354           (2) Any public body subject to any budget law shall in its annual budget make proper  
 3355 provision for the payment of principal and interest currently falling due on refunding bonds,  
 3356 but no provision need be made in the budget prior to the issuance of the refunding bonds for  
 3357 their issuance or for the expenditure of the proceeds from them.

3358           (3) (a) No ordinance, resolution, or proceeding concerning the issuance of refunding  
 3359 bonds nor the publication of any resolution, proceeding, or notice relating to the issuance of the  
 3360 refunding bonds shall be necessary except as specifically required by this chapter.

3361           (b) A publication made under this chapter may be made:

3362           ~~[(i) in any newspaper in which legal notices may be published under the laws of Utah,~~  
 3363 ~~without regard to its designation as the official journal or newspaper of the public body; and]~~

3364           (i) for the public body, as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#); and

3365           (ii) as required in Section [45-1-101](#).

3366           (4) No resolution adopted or proceeding taken under this chapter shall be subject to any  
 3367 referendum petition or to an election other than as required by this chapter. All proceedings  
 3368 adopted under this chapter may be adopted on a single reading at any legally-convened meeting  
 3369 of the governing body. This chapter shall apply to all bonds issued and outstanding at the time  
 3370 this chapter takes effect as well as to bonds issued after this chapter takes effect.

3371           Section 58. Section **11-30-5** is amended to read:

3372           **11-30-5. Publication of order for hearing.**

3373           (1) Prior to the date set for hearing, the clerk of the court shall ~~cause~~ publish the order

3374 [to be published by posting the order on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section  
3375 ~~63A-16-601~~] for the public body's jurisdiction, as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#),  
3376 for three weeks.

3377 (2) If a refunding bond is being validated, all holders of the bonds to be refunded may  
3378 be made defendants to the action, in which case notice may be made, and if so made shall be  
3379 considered sufficient, by mailing a copy of the order to each holder's last-known address.

3380 (3) By publication of the order, all defendants shall have been duly served and shall be  
3381 parties to the proceedings.

3382 Section 59. Section **11-32-10** is amended to read:

3383 **11-32-10. Application to other laws and proceedings -- Notice.**

3384 (1) This chapter is supplemental to all existing laws relating to the collection of  
3385 delinquent taxes by participant members.

3386 (2) (a) No ordinance, resolution, or proceeding in respect to any transaction authorized  
3387 by this chapter is necessary except as specifically required in this chapter nor is the publication  
3388 of any resolution, proceeding, or notice relating to any transaction authorized by this chapter  
3389 necessary except as required by this chapter.

3390 (b) A publication made under this chapter may be made:

3391 ~~[(i) in a newspaper conforming to the terms of this chapter and in which legal notices  
3392 may be published under the laws of Utah, without regard to the designation of it as the official  
3393 journal or newspaper of the public body]~~

3394 (i) for the public body's jurisdiction, as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for  
3395 at least seven days; and

3396 (ii) as required in Section [45-1-101](#).

3397 (c) No resolution adopted or proceeding taken under this chapter may be subject to  
3398 referendum petition or to an election other than as permitted in this chapter.

3399 (d) All proceedings adopted under this chapter may be adopted on a single reading at  
3400 any legally convened meeting of the governing body or bodies or the board of trustees of the  
3401 authority as appropriate.

3402 (3) Any formal action or proceeding taken by the governing body of a county or other  
3403 public body or the board of trustees of an authority under the authority of this chapter may be  
3404 taken by resolution of the governing body or the board of trustees as appropriate.

3405 (4) This chapter shall apply to all authorities created, assignment agreements executed,  
3406 and bonds issued after this chapter takes effect.

3407 (5) All proceedings taken before the effective date of this chapter by a county or other  
3408 public body in connection with the creation and operation of a financing authority are  
3409 validated, ratified, approved, and confirmed.

3410 Section 60. Section 11-32-11 is amended to read:

3411 **11-32-11. Publication of resolutions -- Notice -- Content.**

3412 (1) The governing body of any county, or the board of trustees of any financing  
3413 authority, may provide for the publication of any resolution or other proceeding adopted by it  
3414 under this chapter:

3415 (a) ~~[in a newspaper having general circulation in]~~ for the county, as a class A notice  
3416 under Section 63G-28-102, for at least seven days; and

3417 (b) as required in Section 45-1-101.

3418 (2) In case of a resolution or other proceeding providing for the issuance of bonds, the  
3419 board of trustees of a financing authority may, in lieu of publishing the entire resolution or  
3420 other proceeding, publish a notice of bonds to be issued, titled as such, containing:

3421 (a) the name of the financing authority and the participant members;

3422 (b) the purposes of the issue;

3423 (c) the maximum principal amount which may be issued;

3424 (d) the maximum number of years over which the bonds may mature;

3425 (e) the maximum interest rate which the bonds may bear;

3426 (f) the maximum discount from par, expressed as a percentage of principal amount, at  
3427 which the bonds may be sold; and

3428 (g) the time and place where a copy of the resolution or other proceedings authorizing  
3429 the issuance of the bonds may be examined, which shall be at an office of the financing  
3430 authority, identified in the notice, during regular business hours of the financing authority as  
3431 described in the notice and for a period of at least 30 days after the publication of the notice.

3432 (3) For a period of 30 days after the publication, any person in interest may contest the  
3433 legality of the resolution or proceeding or any bonds or assignment agreements which may be  
3434 authorized by them or any provisions made for the security and payment of the bonds or for the  
3435 security and payment of the assignment agreement. After such time no person has any cause of

3436 action to contest the regularity, formality, or legality of same for any cause.

3437 Section 61. Section **11-36a-501** is amended to read:

3438 **11-36a-501. Notice of intent to prepare an impact fee facilities plan.**

3439 (1) Before preparing or amending an impact fee facilities plan, a local political  
3440 subdivision or private entity shall provide written notice of its intent to prepare or amend an  
3441 impact fee facilities plan.

3442 (2) A notice required under Subsection (1) shall:

3443 (a) indicate that the local political subdivision or private entity intends to prepare or  
3444 amend an impact fee facilities plan;

3445 (b) describe or provide a map of the geographic area where the proposed impact fee  
3446 facilities will be located; and

3447 (c) subject to Subsection (3), be [~~posted on the Utah Public Notice Website created~~  
3448 ~~under Section 63A-16-601~~] provided for the geographic area where the proposed impact fee  
3449 facilities will be located, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at least 10 days.

3450 (3) For a private entity required to post notice [~~on the Utah Public Notice Website~~]  
3451 under Subsection (2)(c):

3452 (a) the private entity shall give notice to the general purpose local government in which  
3453 the private entity's private business office is located; and

3454 (b) the general purpose local government described in Subsection (3)(a) shall post the  
3455 notice on the Utah Public Notice Website and, as available, on the general purpose local  
3456 government's website.

3457 Section 62. Section **11-36a-503** is amended to read:

3458 **11-36a-503. Notice of preparation of an impact fee analysis.**

3459 (1) Before preparing or contracting to prepare an impact fee analysis, each local  
3460 political subdivision or, subject to Subsection (2), private entity shall [~~post~~] provide a public  
3461 notice [~~on the Utah Public Notice Website created under Section 63A-16-601~~] for the local  
3462 political subdivision, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at least 10 days.

3463 (2) For a private entity required to post notice [~~on the Utah Public Notice Website~~]  
3464 under Subsection (1):

3465 (a) the private entity shall give notice to the general purpose local government in which  
3466 the private entity's primary business is located; and

3467 (b) the general purpose local government described in Subsection (2)(a) shall post the  
 3468 notice on the Utah Public Notice Website and, as available, on the general purpose local  
 3469 government's website.

3470 Section 63. Section **11-36a-504** is amended to read:

3471 **11-36a-504. Notice of intent to adopt impact fee enactment -- Hearing --**  
 3472 **Protections.**

3473 (1) Before adopting an impact fee enactment:

3474 (a) a municipality legislative body shall:

3475 (i) comply with the notice requirements of Section [10-9a-205](#) as if the impact fee  
 3476 enactment were a land use regulation;

3477 (ii) hold a hearing in accordance with Section [10-9a-502](#) as if the impact fee enactment  
 3478 were a land use regulation; and

3479 (iii) except as provided in Subsection [11-36a-701\(3\)\(b\)\(ii\)](#), receive the protections of  
 3480 Section [10-9a-801](#) as if the impact fee were a land use regulation;

3481 (b) a county legislative body shall:

3482 (i) comply with the notice requirements of Section [17-27a-205](#) as if the impact fee  
 3483 enactment were a land use regulation;

3484 (ii) hold a hearing in accordance with Section [17-27a-502](#) as if the impact fee  
 3485 enactment were a land use regulation; and

3486 (iii) except as provided in Subsection [11-36a-701\(3\)\(b\)\(ii\)](#), receive the protections of  
 3487 Section [17-27a-801](#) as if the impact fee were a land use regulation;

3488 (c) a local district or special service district shall:

3489 (i) comply with the notice and hearing requirements of Section [17B-1-111](#); and

3490 (ii) receive the protections of Section [17B-1-111](#);

3491 (d) a local political subdivision shall at least 10 days before the day on which a public  
 3492 hearing is scheduled in accordance with this section:

3493 (i) make a copy of the impact fee enactment available to the public; and

3494 (ii) ~~[post]~~ provide notice of the local political subdivision's intent to enact or modify  
 3495 the impact fee, specifying the type of impact fee being enacted or modified, ~~[on the Utah Public~~  
 3496 ~~Notice Website created under Section [63A-16-601](#); and]~~ for the local political subdivision, as a  
 3497 class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least 10 days; and

3498 (e) a local political subdivision shall submit a copy of the impact fee analysis and a  
3499 copy of the summary of the impact fee analysis prepared in accordance with Section  
3500 [11-36a-303](#) on its website or to each public library within the local political subdivision.

3501 (2) Subsection (1)(a) or (b) may not be construed to require involvement by a planning  
3502 commission in the impact fee enactment process.

3503 Section 64. Section [11-39-103](#) is amended to read:

3504 **11-39-103. Requirements for undertaking a building improvement or public**  
3505 **works project -- Request for bids -- Notice -- Authority to reject bids.**

3506 (1) If the estimated cost of the building improvement or public works project exceeds  
3507 the bid limit, the local entity shall, if it determines to proceed with the building improvement or  
3508 public works project:

3509 (a) request bids for completion of the building improvement or public works project  
3510 by ~~[(i) posting]~~ providing notice for the local entity, as a class A notice under Section  
3511 [63G-28-102](#), for at least five days before opening the bids [~~in at least five public places in the~~  
3512 ~~local entity]~~ and leaving the notice posted for at least three days; and

3513 [~~(ii) posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section [63A-16-601](#),~~  
3514 ~~at least five days before opening the bids; and]~~

3515 (b) except as provided in Subsection (3), enter into a contract for the completion of the  
3516 building improvement or public works project with:

3517 (i) the lowest responsive responsible bidder; or

3518 (ii) for a design-build project formulated by a local entity, a responsible bidder that:

3519 (A) offers design-build services; and

3520 (B) satisfies the local entity's criteria relating to financial strength, past performance,  
3521 integrity, reliability, and other factors that the local entity uses to assess the ability of a bidder  
3522 to perform fully and in good faith the contract requirements for a design-build project.

3523 (2) (a) Each notice under Subsection (1)(a) shall indicate that the local entity may reject  
3524 any or all bids submitted.

3525 (b) (i) The cost of a building improvement or public works project may not be divided  
3526 to avoid:

3527 (A) exceeding the bid limit; and

3528 (B) subjecting the local entity to the requirements of this section.

3529 (ii) Notwithstanding Subsection (2)(b)(i), a local entity may divide the cost of a  
3530 building improvement or public works project that would, without dividing, exceed the bid  
3531 limit if the local entity complies with the requirements of this section with respect to each part  
3532 of the building improvement or public works project that results from dividing the cost.

3533 (3) (a) The local entity may reject any or all bids submitted.

3534 (b) If the local entity rejects all bids submitted but still intends to undertake the  
3535 building improvement or public works project, the local entity shall again request bids by  
3536 following the procedure provided in Subsection (1)(a).

3537 (c) If, after twice requesting bids by following the procedure provided in Subsection  
3538 (1)(a), the local entity determines that no satisfactory bid has been submitted, the governing  
3539 body may undertake the building improvement or public works project as it considers  
3540 appropriate.

3541 Section 65. Section **11-42-202** is amended to read:

3542 **11-42-202. Requirements applicable to a notice of a proposed assessment area**  
3543 **designation -- Notice.**

3544 (1) Each notice required under Subsection [11-42-201\(2\)\(a\)](#) shall:

3545 (a) state that the local entity proposes to:

3546 (i) designate one or more areas within the local entity's jurisdictional boundaries as an  
3547 assessment area;

3548 (ii) provide an improvement to property within the proposed assessment area; and

3549 (iii) finance some or all of the cost of improvements by an assessment on benefitted  
3550 property within the assessment area;

3551 (b) describe the proposed assessment area by any reasonable method that allows an  
3552 owner of property in the proposed assessment area to determine that the owner's property is  
3553 within the proposed assessment area;

3554 (c) describe, in a general and reasonably accurate way, the improvements to be  
3555 provided to the assessment area, including:

3556 (i) the nature of the improvements; and

3557 (ii) the location of the improvements, by reference to streets or portions or extensions  
3558 of streets or by any other means that the governing body chooses that reasonably describes the  
3559 general location of the improvements;

- 3560 (d) state the estimated cost of the improvements as determined by a project engineer;
- 3561 (e) for the [~~version of~~] notice mailed [~~in accordance with~~] under Subsection [(4)(b)]
- 3562 (4), state the estimated total assessment specific to the benefitted property for which the notice
- 3563 is mailed;
- 3564 (f) state that the local entity proposes to levy an assessment on benefitted property
- 3565 within the assessment area to pay some or all of the cost of the improvements according to the
- 3566 estimated benefits to the property from the improvements;
- 3567 (g) if applicable, state that an unassessed benefitted government property will receive
- 3568 improvements for which the cost will be allocated proportionately to the remaining benefitted
- 3569 properties within the proposed assessment area and that a description of each unassessed
- 3570 benefitted government property is available for public review at the location or website
- 3571 described in Subsection (6);
- 3572 (h) state the assessment method by which the governing body proposes to calculate the
- 3573 proposed assessment, including, if the local entity is a municipality or county, whether the
- 3574 assessment will be collected:
- 3575 (i) by directly billing a property owner; or
- 3576 (ii) by inclusion on a property tax notice issued in accordance with Section 59-2-1317
- 3577 and in compliance with Section 11-42-401;
- 3578 (i) state:
- 3579 (i) the date described in Section 11-42-203 and the location at which protests against
- 3580 designation of the proposed assessment area or of the proposed improvements are required to
- 3581 be filed;
- 3582 (ii) the method by which the governing body will determine the number of protests
- 3583 required to defeat the designation of the proposed assessment area or acquisition or
- 3584 construction of the proposed improvements; and
- 3585 (iii) in large, boldface, and conspicuous type that a property owner must protest the
- 3586 designation of the assessment area in writing if the owner objects to the area designation or
- 3587 being assessed for the proposed improvements, operation and maintenance costs, or economic
- 3588 promotion activities;
- 3589 (j) state the date, time, and place of the public hearing required in Section 11-42-204;
- 3590 (k) if the governing body elects to create and fund a reserve fund under Section

3591 11-42-702, include a description of:

3592 (i) how the reserve fund will be funded and replenished; and

3593 (ii) how remaining money in the reserve fund is to be disbursed upon full payment of

3594 the bonds;

3595 (l) if the governing body intends to designate a voluntary assessment area, include a

3596 property owner consent form that:

3597 (i) estimates the total assessment to be levied against the particular parcel of property;

3598 (ii) describes any additional benefits that the governing body expects the assessed

3599 property to receive from the improvements;

3600 (iii) designates the date and time by which the fully executed consent form is required

3601 to be submitted to the governing body; and

3602 (iv) if the governing body intends to enforce an assessment lien on the property in

3603 accordance with Subsection 11-42-502.1(2)(a)(ii)(C):

3604 (A) appoints a trustee that satisfies the requirements described in Section 57-1-21;

3605 (B) gives the trustee the power of sale;

3606 (C) is binding on the property owner and all successors; and

3607 (D) explains that if an assessment or an installment of an assessment is not paid when

3608 due, the local entity may sell the property owner's property to satisfy the amount due plus

3609 interest, penalties, and costs, in the manner described in Title 57, Chapter 1, Conveyances;

3610 (m) if the local entity intends to levy an assessment to pay operation and maintenance

3611 costs or for economic promotion activities, include:

3612 (i) a description of the operation and maintenance costs or economic promotion

3613 activities to be paid by assessments and the initial estimated annual assessment to be levied;

3614 (ii) a description of how the estimated assessment will be determined;

3615 (iii) a description of how and when the governing body will adjust the assessment to

3616 reflect the costs of:

3617 (A) in accordance with Section 11-42-406, current economic promotion activities; or

3618 (B) current operation and maintenance costs;

3619 (iv) a description of the method of assessment if different from the method of

3620 assessment to be used for financing any improvement; and

3621 (v) a statement of the maximum number of years over which the assessment will be

3622 levied for:

3623 (A) operation and maintenance costs; or

3624 (B) economic promotion activities;

3625 (n) if the governing body intends to divide the proposed assessment area into

3626 classifications under Subsection [11-42-201\(1\)\(b\)](#), include a description of the proposed  
3627 classifications;

3628 (o) if applicable, state the portion and value of the improvement that will be increased  
3629 in size or capacity to serve property outside of the assessment area and how the increases will  
3630 be financed; and

3631 (p) state whether the improvements will be financed with a bond and, if so, the  
3632 currently estimated interest rate and term of financing, subject to Subsection (2), for which the  
3633 benefitted properties within the assessment area may be obligated.

3634 (2) The estimated interest rate and term of financing in Subsection (1)(p) may not be  
3635 interpreted as a limitation to the actual interest rate incurred or the actual term of financing as  
3636 subject to the market rate at the time of the issuance of the bond.

3637 (3) A notice required under Subsection [11-42-201\(2\)\(a\)](#) may contain other information  
3638 that the governing body considers to be appropriate, including:

3639 (a) the amount or proportion of the cost of the improvement to be paid by the local  
3640 entity or from sources other than an assessment;

3641 (b) the estimated total amount of each type of assessment for the various improvements  
3642 to be financed according to the method of assessment that the governing body chooses; and

3643 (c) provisions for any improvements described in Subsection [11-42-102\(25\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#).

3644 (4) Each notice required under Subsection [11-42-201\(2\)\(a\)](#) shall~~[:]~~ be published for the  
3645 governing body's jurisdiction, as a class B notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least 20  
3646 days, but not more than 35 days, before the day of the hearing required in Section [11-42-204](#).

3647 ~~[(a)(i) be posted in at least three public places within the local entity's jurisdictional~~  
3648 ~~boundaries at least 20 but not more than 35 days before the day of the hearing required in~~  
3649 ~~Section [11-42-204](#); and]~~

3650 ~~[(ii) be published on the Utah Public Notice Website described in Section [63A-16-601](#)~~  
3651 ~~for four weeks before the deadline for filing protests specified in the notice under Subsection~~  
3652 ~~(1)(i); and]~~

3653 ~~[(b) be mailed, postage prepaid, within 10 days after the first publication or posting of~~  
3654 ~~the notice under Subsection (4)(a) to each owner of property to be assessed within the proposed~~  
3655 ~~assessment area at the property owner's mailing address.]~~

3656 (5) (a) The local entity may record the version of the notice that is published or posted  
3657 in accordance with Subsection ~~[(4)(a)]~~ (4) with the office of the county recorder, by legal  
3658 description and tax identification number as identified in county records, against the property  
3659 proposed to be assessed.

3660 (b) The notice recorded under Subsection (5)(a) expires and is no longer valid one year  
3661 after the day on which the local entity records the notice if the local entity has failed to adopt  
3662 the designation ordinance or resolution under Section 11-42-201 designating the assessment  
3663 area for which the notice was recorded.

3664 (6) A local entity shall make available on the local entity's website, or, if no website is  
3665 available, at the local entity's place of business, the address and type of use of each unassessed  
3666 benefitted government property described in Subsection (1)(g).

3667 (7) If a governing body fails to provide actual or constructive notice under this section,  
3668 the local entity may not assess a levy against a benefitted property omitted from the notice  
3669 unless:

3670 (a) the property owner gives written consent;

3671 (b) the property owner received notice under Subsection 11-42-401(2)(a)(iii) and did  
3672 not object to the levy of the assessment before the final hearing of the board of equalization; or

3673 (c) the benefitted property is conveyed to a subsequent purchaser and, before the date  
3674 of conveyance, the requirements of Subsections 11-42-206(3)(a)(i) and (ii), or, if applicable,  
3675 Subsection 11-42-207(1)(d)(i) are met.

3676 Section 66. Section 11-42-301 is amended to read:

3677 **11-42-301. Improvements made only under contract let to lowest responsive,**  
3678 **responsible bidder -- Publishing notice -- Sealed bids -- Procedure -- Exceptions to**  
3679 **contract requirement.**

3680 (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a local entity may make improvements  
3681 in an assessment area only under contract let to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder for  
3682 the kind of service, material, or form of construction that the local entity's governing body  
3683 determines in compliance with any applicable local entity ordinances.

3684 (2) A local entity may:

3685 (a) divide improvements into parts;

3686 (b) (i) let separate contracts for each part; or

3687 (ii) combine multiple parts into the same contract; and

3688 (c) let a contract on a unit basis.

3689 (3) (a) A local entity may not let a contract until after ~~[posting]~~ providing notice as

3690 provided in Subsection (3)(b), ~~[on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section~~

3691 ~~63A-16-601;~~ as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at least 15 days before the date

3692 specified for receipt of bids.

3693 (b) Each notice under Subsection (3)(a) shall notify contractors that the local entity will

3694 receive sealed bids at a specified time and place for the construction of the improvements.

3695 (c) Notwithstanding a local entity's failure, through inadvertence or oversight, to

3696 publish the notice or to publish the notice within 15 days before the date specified for receipt of

3697 bids, the governing body may proceed to let a contract for the improvements if the local entity

3698 receives at least three sealed and bona fide bids from contractors by the time specified for the

3699 receipt of bids.

3700 (d) A local entity may publish a notice required under this Subsection (3) at the same

3701 time as a notice under Section 11-42-202.

3702 (4) (a) A local entity may accept as a sealed bid a bid that is:

3703 (i) manually sealed and submitted; or

3704 (ii) electronically sealed and submitted.

3705 (b) The governing body or project engineer shall, at the time specified in the notice

3706 under Subsection (3), open and examine the bids.

3707 (c) In open session, the governing body:

3708 (i) shall declare the bids; and

3709 (ii) may reject any or all bids if the governing body considers the rejection to be for the

3710 public good.

3711 (d) The local entity may award the contract to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder

3712 even if the price bid by that bidder exceeds the estimated costs as determined by the project

3713 engineer.

3714 (e) A local entity may in any case:

- 3715 (i) refuse to award a contract;
- 3716 (ii) obtain new bids after giving a new notice under Subsection (3);
- 3717 (iii) determine to abandon the assessment area; or
- 3718 (iv) not make some of the improvements proposed to be made.
- 3719 (5) A local entity is not required to let a contract as provided in this section for:
- 3720 (a) an improvement or part of an improvement the cost of which or the making of
- 3721 which is donated or contributed;
- 3722 (b) an improvement that consists of furnishing utility service or maintaining
- 3723 improvements;
- 3724 (c) labor, materials, or equipment supplied by the local entity;
- 3725 (d) the local entity's acquisition of completed or partially completed improvements in
- 3726 an assessment area;
- 3727 (e) design, engineering, and inspection costs incurred with respect to the construction
- 3728 of improvements in an assessment area; or
- 3729 (f) additional work performed in accordance with the terms of a contract duly let to the
- 3730 lowest responsive, responsible bidder.
- 3731 (6) A local entity may itself furnish utility service and maintain improvements within
- 3732 an assessment area.
- 3733 (7) (a) A local entity may acquire completed or partially completed improvements in an
- 3734 assessment area, but may not pay an amount for those improvements that exceeds their fair
- 3735 market value.
- 3736 (b) Upon the local entity's payment for completed or partially completed
- 3737 improvements, title to the improvements shall be conveyed to the local entity or another public
- 3738 agency.
- 3739 (8) The provisions of Title 11, Chapter 39, Building Improvements and Public Works
- 3740 Projects, and Section [72-6-108](#) do not apply to improvements to be constructed in an
- 3741 assessment area.
- 3742 Section 67. Section **11-42-402** is amended to read:
- 3743 **11-42-402. Notice of assessment and board of equalization hearing.**
- 3744 Each notice required under Subsection [11-42-401](#)(2)(a)(iii) shall:
- 3745 (1) state:

3746 (a) that an assessment list is completed and available for examination at the offices of  
3747 the local entity;

3748 (b) the total estimated or actual cost of the improvements;

3749 (c) the amount of the total estimated or actual cost of the proposed improvements to be  
3750 paid by the local entity;

3751 (d) the amount of the assessment to be levied against benefitted property within the  
3752 assessment area;

3753 (e) the assessment method used to calculate the proposed assessment;

3754 (f) the unit cost used to calculate the assessments shown on the assessment list, based  
3755 on the assessment method used to calculate the proposed assessment; and

3756 (g) the dates, times, and place of the board of equalization hearings under Subsection  
3757 [11-42-401\(2\)\(b\)\(i\)](#); and

3758 (2) ~~[(a) beginning]~~ for at least 20<sub>2</sub> but not more than 35<sub>2</sub> days before the day on which  
3759 the first hearing of the board of equalization is held, be ~~[posted in at least three public places~~  
3760 ~~within the local entity's jurisdictional boundaries; and]~~ published for the local entity's  
3761 jurisdiction, as a class B notice under Section [63G-28-102](#).

3762 ~~[(b) be published on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section [63A-16-601](#) for~~  
3763 ~~35 days immediately before the day on which the first hearing of the board of equalization is~~  
3764 ~~held; and]~~

3765 ~~[(3) be mailed, postage prepaid, within 10 days after the first publication or posting of~~  
3766 ~~the notice under Subsection (2) to each owner of property to be assessed within the proposed~~  
3767 ~~assessment area at the property owner's mailing address.]~~

3768 Section 68. Section **11-42-404** is amended to read:

3769 **11-42-404. Adoption of a resolution or ordinance levying an assessment -- Notice**  
3770 **of the adoption -- Effective date of resolution or ordinance -- Notice of assessment**  
3771 **interest.**

3772 (1) (a) After receiving a final report from a board of equalization under Subsection  
3773 [11-42-403\(5\)](#) or, if applicable, after the time for filing an appeal under Subsection  
3774 [11-42-403\(6\)](#) has passed, the governing body may adopt a resolution or ordinance levying an  
3775 assessment against benefitted property within the assessment area designated in accordance  
3776 with Part 2, Designating an Assessment Area.

3777 (b) Except as provided in Subsection (1)(c), a local entity may not levy more than one  
3778 assessment under this chapter for an assessment area designated in accordance with Part 2,  
3779 Designating an Assessment Area.

3780 (c) A local entity may levy more than one assessment in an assessment area designated  
3781 in accordance with Part 2, Designating an Assessment Area, if:

3782 (i) the local entity has adopted a designation resolution or designation ordinance for  
3783 each assessment in accordance with Section [11-42-201](#); and

3784 (ii) the assessment is levied to pay:

3785 (A) subject to Section [11-42-401](#), operation and maintenance costs;

3786 (B) subject to Section [11-42-406](#), the costs of economic promotion activities; or

3787 (C) the costs of environmental remediation activities.

3788 (d) An assessment resolution or ordinance adopted under Subsection (1)(a):

3789 (i) need not describe each tract, block, lot, part of block or lot, or parcel of property to  
3790 be assessed;

3791 (ii) need not include the legal description or tax identification number of the parcels of  
3792 property assessed in the assessment area; and

3793 (iii) is adequate for purposes of identifying the property to be assessed within the  
3794 assessment area if the assessment resolution or ordinance incorporates by reference the  
3795 corrected assessment list that describes the property assessed by legal description and tax  
3796 identification number.

3797 (2) (a) A local entity that adopts an assessment resolution or ordinance shall give notice  
3798 of the adoption ~~[by:]~~ for the local entity's jurisdiction, as a class A notice under Section  
3799 [63G-28-102](#), for at least 21 days.

3800 ~~[(i) posting a copy of the resolution or ordinance in at least three public places within~~  
3801 ~~the local entity's jurisdictional boundaries for at least 21 days; and]~~

3802 ~~[(ii) posting a copy of the resolution or ordinance on the Utah Public Notice Website~~  
3803 ~~created in Section [63A-16-601](#) for at least 21 days.]~~

3804 (b) No other publication or posting of the resolution or ordinance is required.

3805 (3) Notwithstanding any other statutory provision regarding the effective date of a  
3806 resolution or ordinance, each assessment resolution or ordinance takes effect:

3807 (a) on the date of publication or posting of the notice under Subsection (2); or

3808 (b) at a later date provided in the resolution or ordinance.

3809 (4) (a) The governing body of each local entity that has adopted an assessment  
3810 resolution or ordinance under Subsection (1) shall, within five days after the day on which the  
3811 25-day prepayment period under Subsection 11-42-411(6) has passed, file a notice of  
3812 assessment interest with the recorder of the county in which the assessed property is located.

3813 (b) Each notice of assessment interest under Subsection (4)(a) shall:

3814 (i) state that the local entity has an assessment interest in the assessed property;

3815 (ii) if the assessment is to pay operation and maintenance costs or for economic  
3816 promotion activities, state the maximum number of years over which an assessment will be  
3817 payable; and

3818 (iii) describe the property assessed by legal description and tax identification number.

3819 (c) A local entity's failure to file a notice of assessment interest under this Subsection  
3820 (4) has no effect on the validity of an assessment levied under an assessment resolution or  
3821 ordinance adopted under Subsection (1).

3822 Section 69. Section 11-42-604 is amended to read:

3823 **11-42-604. Notice regarding resolution or ordinance authorizing interim**  
3824 **warrants or bond anticipation notes -- Complaint contesting warrants or notes --**  
3825 **Prohibition against contesting warrants and notes.**

3826 (1) A local entity may publish notice, as provided in Subsection (2), of a resolution or  
3827 ordinance that the governing body has adopted authorizing the issuance of interim warrants or  
3828 bond anticipation notes.

3829 (2) (a) If a local entity chooses to publish notice under Subsection (1), the notice shall:

3830 (i) be published:

3831 (A) [~~in a newspaper of general circulation within~~] for the local entity, as a class A  
3832 notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at least 30 days; and

3833 (B) as required in Section 45-1-101; and

3834 (ii) contain:

3835 (A) the name of the issuer of the interim warrants or bond anticipation notes;

3836 (B) the purpose of the issue;

3837 (C) the maximum principal amount that may be issued;

3838 (D) the maximum length of time over which the interim warrants or bond anticipation

3839 notes may mature;

3840 (E) the maximum interest rate, if there is a maximum rate; and

3841 (F) the times and place where a copy of the resolution or ordinance may be examined,  
3842 as required under Subsection (2)(b).

3843 (b) The local entity shall allow examination of the resolution or ordinance authorizing  
3844 the issuance of the interim warrants or bond anticipation notes at its office during regular  
3845 business hours.

3846 (3) Any person may, within 30 days after publication of a notice under Subsection (1),  
3847 file a verified, written complaint in the district court of the county in which the person resides,  
3848 contesting the regularity, formality, or legality of the interim warrants or bond anticipation  
3849 notes issued by the local entity or the proceedings relating to the issuance of the interim  
3850 warrants or bond anticipation notes.

3851 (4) After the 30-day period under Subsection (3), no person may contest the regularity,  
3852 formality, or legality of the interim warrants or bond anticipation notes issued by a local entity  
3853 under the resolution or ordinance that was the subject of the notice under Subsection (1), or the  
3854 proceedings relating to the issuance of the interim warrants or bond anticipation notes.

3855 Section 70. Section **11-42a-201** is amended to read:

3856 **11-42a-201. Resolution or ordinance designating an energy assessment area,**  
3857 **levying an assessment, and issuing an energy assessment bond -- Notice of adoption.**

3858 (1) (a) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, and subject to the requirements of  
3859 this part, at the request of a property owner on whose property or for whose benefit an  
3860 improvement is being installed or being reimbursed, a governing body of a local entity may  
3861 adopt an energy assessment resolution or an energy assessment ordinance that:

3862 (i) designates an energy assessment area;

3863 (ii) levies an assessment within the energy assessment area; and

3864 (iii) if applicable, authorizes the issuance of an energy assessment bond.

3865 (b) The governing body of a local entity may, by adopting a parameters resolution,  
3866 delegate to an officer of the local entity, in accordance with the parameters resolution, the  
3867 authority to:

3868 (i) execute an energy assessment resolution or ordinance that:

3869 (A) designates an energy assessment area;

3870 (B) levies an energy assessment lien; and

3871 (C) approves the final interest rate, price, principal amount, maturities, redemption  
3872 features, and other terms of the energy assessment bonds; and

3873 (ii) approve and execute all documents related to the designation of the energy  
3874 assessment area, the levying of the energy assessment lien, and the issuance of the energy  
3875 assessment bonds.

3876 (c) The boundaries of a proposed energy assessment area may:

3877 (i) include property that is not intended to be assessed; and

3878 (ii) overlap, be coextensive with, or be substantially coterminous with the boundaries  
3879 of any other energy assessment area or an assessment area created under Title 11, Chapter 42,  
3880 Assessment Area Act.

3881 (d) The energy assessment resolution or ordinance described in Subsection (1)(a) is  
3882 adequate for purposes of identifying the property to be assessed within the energy assessment  
3883 area if the resolution or ordinance describes the property to be assessed by legal description and  
3884 tax identification number.

3885 (2) (a) A local entity that adopts an energy assessment resolution or ordinance under  
3886 Subsection (1)(a) or a parameters resolution under Subsection (1)(b) shall give notice of the  
3887 adoption of the energy assessment resolution or ordinance or the parameters resolution by  
3888 ~~[posting]~~ publishing a copy of the resolution or ordinance~~[-]~~ for the local entity's jurisdiction,  
3889 as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least 21 days.

3890 ~~[(i) in at least three public places within the local entity's jurisdictional boundaries for~~  
3891 ~~at least 21 days; and]~~

3892 ~~[(ii) on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section [63A-16-601](#), for at least 21~~  
3893 ~~days.]~~

3894 (b) Except as provided in Subsection (2)(a), a local entity is not required to make any  
3895 other publication or posting of the resolution or ordinance.

3896 (3) Notwithstanding any other statutory provision regarding the effective date of a  
3897 resolution or ordinance, each energy assessment resolution or ordinance takes effect on the  
3898 later of:

3899 (a) the date on which the governing body of the local entity adopts the energy  
3900 assessment resolution or ordinance;

3901 (b) the date of publication or posting of the notice of adoption of either the energy  
3902 assessment resolution or ordinance or the parameters resolution described in Subsection (2); or

3903 (c) at a later date as provided in the resolution or ordinance.

3904 (4) (a) The governing body of each local entity that has adopted an energy assessment  
3905 resolution or ordinance under Subsection (1) shall, within five days after the effective date of  
3906 the resolution or ordinance, file a notice of assessment interest with the recorder of the county  
3907 in which the property to be assessed is located.

3908 (b) Each notice of assessment interest under Subsection (4)(a) shall:

3909 (i) state that the local entity has an assessment interest in the property to be assessed;  
3910 and

3911 (ii) describe the property to be assessed by legal description and tax identification  
3912 number.

3913 (c) If a local entity fails to file a notice of assessment interest under this Subsection (4):

3914 (i) the failure does not invalidate the designation of an energy assessment area; and

3915 (ii) the local entity may not assess a levy against a subsequent purchaser of a benefitted  
3916 property that lacked recorded notice unless:

3917 (A) the subsequent purchaser gives written consent;

3918 (B) the subsequent purchaser has actual notice of the assessment levy; or

3919 (C) the subsequent purchaser purchased the property after a corrected notice was filed  
3920 under Subsection (4)(d).

3921 (d) The local entity may file a corrected notice if the entity fails to comply with the date  
3922 or other requirements for filing a notice of assessment interest.

3923 (e) If a governing body has filed a corrected notice under Subsection (4)(d), the local  
3924 entity may not retroactively collect or adjust the amount of the levy to recapture lost funds for a  
3925 levy that the local entity was prohibited from collecting, if applicable, under Subsection (4)(c).

3926 Section 71. Section **11-42b-104** is amended to read:

3927 **11-42b-104. Notice of proposed assessment area -- Requirements.**

3928 (1) If the legislative body of a specified county receives a petition that meets the  
3929 requirements of Section [11-42b-103](#), the legislative body shall give notice of the proposed  
3930 assessment area.

3931 (2) The notice under Subsection (1) shall:

3932 (a) include the following information:

3933 (i) a statement that the legislative body received a petition to designate an assessment

3934 area under Section 11-42b-103;

3935 (ii) a statement that the specified county proposes to:

3936 (A) designate one or more areas within the specified county's geographic boundaries as

3937 an assessment area;

3938 (B) contract with a third party administrator to provide beneficial activities within the

3939 proposed assessment area; and

3940 (C) finance some or all of the cost of providing beneficial activities by an assessment

3941 on benefitted properties within the assessment area;

3942 (iii) a summary of the contents of the proposed management plan, including the

3943 information described in Subsection 11-42b-103(2)(a)(i);

3944 (iv) a statement explaining how an individual can access the petition described in

3945 Subsection (2)(a), including the contents of the proposed management plan;

3946 (v) a statement that contains:

3947 (A) the date described in Section 11-42b-105 and the location at which a protest under

3948 Section 11-42b-105 may be filed;

3949 (B) the method by which the legislative body will determine the number of protests

3950 required to defeat the designation of the proposed assessment area or implementation of the

3951 proposed beneficial activities, subject to Subsection 11-42b-107(1)(b); and

3952 (C) a statement in large, boldface, and conspicuous type explaining that an owner of a

3953 benefitted property must protest the designation of the assessment area in writing if the owner

3954 objects to the area designation or being assessed for the proposed beneficial activities;

3955 (vi) the date, time, and place of the public hearing required in Section 11-42b-106; and

3956 (vii) any other information the legislative body considers appropriate; and

3957 ~~[(b)(i) be posted in at least three public places within the specified county's geographic~~

3958 ~~boundaries at least 20 but not more than 35 days before the day of the hearing required in~~

3959 ~~Section 11-42b-106; and]~~

3960 ~~[(ii) be published on the Utah Public Notice Website described in Section 63A-16-601~~

3961 ~~for four weeks before the deadline for filing protests specified in the notice under Subsection~~

3962 ~~(2)(a)(v); and]~~

3963 ~~[(c)] (b) [be mailed, postage prepaid, within 10 days after the first publication or~~  
 3964 ~~posting of the notice under Subsection (2)(b) to each owner of benefitted property within] be~~  
 3965 ~~published for the proposed assessment area [at the owner's mailing address], as a class B notice~~  
 3966 ~~under Section 63G-28-102, for at least 20 days, but not more than 35 days, before the day of~~  
 3967 ~~the hearing required in Section 11-42b-105.~~

3968 (3) (a) The legislative body may record the version of the notice that is published or  
 3969 posted in accordance with Subsection (2)(b) with the office of the county recorder.

3970 (b) The notice recorded under Subsection (3)(a) expires and is no longer valid one year  
 3971 after the day on which the legislative body records the notice if the legislative body has failed  
 3972 to adopt the designation ordinance or resolution under Section 11-42b-102 designating the  
 3973 assessment area for which the notice was recorded.

3974 Section 72. Section 11-42b-108 is amended to read:

3975 **11-42b-108. Amendments to management plan -- Procedure -- Notice**  
 3976 **requirements.**

3977 (1) After the legislative body adopts an ordinance or resolution approving a  
 3978 management plan as provided in Subsection 11-42b-107(1)(c)(ii) and contracts with a third  
 3979 party administrator to provide beneficial activities within the assessment area, the legislative  
 3980 body may amend the management plan if:

3981 (a) the third party administrator submits to the legislative body a written request for  
 3982 amendments;

3983 (b) subject to Subsection (2), the legislative body gives notice of the proposed  
 3984 amendments;

3985 (c) the legislative body holds a public meeting no more than 90 days after the day on  
 3986 which the legislative body gives notice under Subsection (1)(b); and

3987 (d) at the public meeting described in Subsection (1)(c), the legislative body adopts an  
 3988 ordinance or resolution approving the amendments to the management plan.

3989 (2) The notice described in Subsection (1)(b) shall:

3990 (a) describe the proposed amendments to the management plan;

3991 (b) state the date, time, and place of the public meeting described in Subsection (1)(c);

3992 and

3993 ~~[(c) (i) be posted in at least three public places within the specified county's geographic~~

3994 boundaries at least 20 but not more than 35 days before the day of the public meeting described  
3995 in Subsection (1)(c); and]

3996 [~~(ii) be published on the Utah Public Notice Website described in Section 63A-16-601~~  
3997 ~~for four weeks before the public meeting described in Subsection (1)(c); and]~~

3998 [(d)] (c) [~~be mailed, postage prepaid, within 10 days after the first publication or~~  
3999 ~~posting of the notice under Subsection (2)(c) to each owner of benefitted property within] be  
4000 published for the assessment area [at the owner's mailing address], as a class B notice under  
4001 Section 63G-28-102, for at least 20 days, but not more than 35 days, before the day of the  
4002 public meeting described in Subsection (1)(c).~~

4003 Section 73. Section 11-42b-109 is amended to read:

4004 **11-42b-109. Renewal of assessment area designation -- Procedure -- Disposition**  
4005 **of previous revenues -- Notice requirements.**

4006 (1) Upon the expiration of an assessment area, the legislative body may, for a period  
4007 not to exceed 10 years, renew the assessment area as provided in this section.

4008 (2) (a) If there are no changes to the management plan or the designation of the third  
4009 party administrator, the legislative body may not renew the assessment area unless:

4010 (i) subject to Subsection (2)(c), the legislative body gives notice of the proposed  
4011 renewal;

4012 (ii) the legislative body holds a public meeting no more than 90 days after the day on  
4013 which the legislative body gives notice under Subsection (2)(a)(i); and

4014 (iii) at the public meeting described in Subsection (2)(a)(ii), the legislative body adopts  
4015 an ordinance or resolution renewing the assessment area designation.

4016 (b) If there are changes to the management plan or the designation of the third party  
4017 administrator, the legislative body may not renew the assessment area unless the legislative  
4018 body:

4019 (i) gives notice of the proposed renewal in accordance with Section 11-42b-104;

4020 (ii) receives and considers all protests filed under Section 11-42b-105;

4021 (iii) holds a public hearing as provided in Section 11-42b-106;

4022 (iv) holds a public meeting as provided in Section 11-42b-107; and

4023 (v) at the public meeting described in Subsection (2)(b)(iv), adopts an ordinance or  
4024 resolution renewing the assessment area.

4025 (c) The notice described in Subsection (2)(a)(i) shall:

4026 (i) state:

4027 (A) that the legislative body proposes to renew the assessment area with no changes;

4028 and

4029 (B) the date, time, and place of the public meeting described in Subsection (2)(a)(ii);

4030 and

4031 [~~(ii) (A) be posted in at least three public places within the specified county's~~

4032 ~~geographic boundaries at least 20 but not more than 35 days before the day of the public~~

4033 ~~meeting described in Subsection (2)(a)(ii); and]~~

4034 [~~(B) be published on the Utah Public Notice Website described in Section [63A-16-601](#)~~

4035 ~~for four weeks before the public meeting described in Subsection (2)(a)(ii); and]~~

4036 [(iii)] (ii) [~~be mailed, postage prepaid, within 10 days after the first publication or~~

4037 ~~posting of the notice under Subsection (2)(c)(ii) to each owner of benefitted property within] be~~

4038 published for the assessment area [~~at the owner's mailing address], as a class B notice under~~

4039 Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least 20 days, but not more than 35 days, before the day of the

4040 public meeting described in Subsection (2)(a)(ii).

4041 (3) (a) Upon renewal of an assessment area, any remaining revenues derived from the  
4042 levy of assessments, or any revenues derived from the sale of assets acquired with the revenues,  
4043 shall be transferred to the renewed assessment area.

4044 (b) If the renewed assessment area includes a benefitted property that was not included  
4045 in the previous assessment area, the third party administrator may only expend revenues  
4046 described in Subsection (3)(a) on benefitted properties that were included in the previous  
4047 assessment area.

4048 (c) If the renewed assessment area does not include a benefitted property that was  
4049 included in the previous assessment area, the third party administrator shall refund to the owner  
4050 of the benefitted property the revenues described in Subsection (3)(a) attributable to the  
4051 benefitted property.

4052 Section 74. Section ~~11-42b-110~~ is amended to read:

4053 **11-42b-110. Dissolution of assessment area -- Procedure -- Disposition of**  
4054 **revenues -- Notice requirements.**

4055 (1) The legislative body may dissolve an assessment area before the assessment area

4056 expires as provided in this section.

4057 (2) The legislative body may not dissolve an assessment area under Subsection (1)  
4058 unless:

4059 (a) (i) the legislative body determines there has been a misappropriation of funds,  
4060 malfeasance, or a violation of law in connection with the management of the assessment area;

4061 or

4062 (ii) a petition to dissolve the assessment area:

4063 (A) is signed by a qualified number of owners; and

4064 (B) is submitted to the legislative body within the period described in Subsection (3);

4065 (b) subject to Subsection (4), the legislative body gives notice of the proposed  
4066 dissolution;

4067 (c) the legislative body holds a public meeting; and

4068 (d) at the public meeting described in Subsection (2)(c), the legislative body adopts an  
4069 ordinance or resolution dissolving the assessment area.

4070 (3) The owners of benefitted properties may submit to the legislative body a petition  
4071 described in Subsection (2)(a)(ii):

4072 (a) within a 30-day period that begins after the day on which the assessment area is  
4073 designated by ordinance or resolution under Section [11-42b-107](#); or

4074 (b) within the same 30-day period during each subsequent year in which the assessment  
4075 area exists.

4076 (4) The notice described in Subsection (2)(b) shall:

4077 (a) state:

4078 (i) the reasons for the proposed dissolution; and

4079 (ii) the date, time, and place of the public meeting described in Subsection (2)(c); and

4080 ~~[(b) (i) be posted in at least three public places within the specified county's geographic~~  
4081 ~~boundaries at least 20 but not more than 35 days before the day of the public meeting described~~  
4082 ~~in Subsection (2)(c); and]~~

4083 ~~[(ii) be published on the Utah Public Notice Website described in Section [63A-16-601](#)~~  
4084 ~~for four weeks before the public meeting described in Subsection (2)(c); and]~~

4085 ~~[(c) (b) [be mailed, postage prepaid, within 10 days after the first publication or~~  
4086 ~~posting of the notice under Subsection (4)(b) to each owner of benefitted property within] be~~

4087 published for the assessment area [at the owner's mailing address], as a class B notice under  
4088 Section 63G-28-102, for at least 20 days, but not more than 35 days, before the day of the  
4089 public meeting described in Subsection (2)(c).

4090 (5) Upon the dissolution of an assessment area, the third party administrator shall  
4091 return to the owner of each benefitted property any remaining revenues attributable to the  
4092 benefitted property.

4093 Section 75. Section 11-58-502 is amended to read:

4094 **11-58-502. Public meeting to consider and discuss draft project area plan --**

4095 **Notice -- Adoption of plan.**

4096 (1) The board shall hold at least one public meeting to consider and discuss a draft  
4097 project area plan.

4098 (2) At least 10 days before holding a public meeting under Subsection (1), the board  
4099 shall give notice of the public meeting:

4100 (a) to each taxing entity;

4101 (b) to a municipality in which the proposed project area is located or that is located  
4102 within one-half mile of the proposed project area; and

4103 [~~(c) on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601]~~

4104 (c) for the proposed project area, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at  
4105 least 10 days.

4106 (3) Following consideration and discussion of the draft project area plan, and any  
4107 modification of the project area plan under Subsection 11-58-501(2)(d), the board may adopt  
4108 the draft project area plan or modified draft project area plan as the project area plan.

4109 Section 76. Section 11-58-503 is amended to read:

4110 **11-58-503. Notice of project area plan adoption -- Effective date of plan -- Time**  
4111 **for challenging a project area plan or project area.**

4112 (1) Upon the board's adoption of a project area plan, the board shall provide notice as  
4113 provided in Subsection (2) by publishing or causing to be published legal notice:

4114 (a) [~~in a newspaper of general circulation within or near~~] for the project area, as a class  
4115 A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at least 30 days; and

4116 (b) as required by Section 45-1-101.

4117 (2) (a) Each notice under Subsection (1) shall include:

4118 (i) the board resolution adopting the project area plan or a summary of the resolution;  
4119 and

4120 (ii) a statement that the project area plan is available for general public inspection and  
4121 the hours for inspection.

4122 (b) The statement required under Subsection (2)(a)(ii) may be included within the  
4123 board resolution adopting the project area plan or within the summary of the resolution.

4124 (3) The project area plan shall become effective on the date designated in the board  
4125 resolution.

4126 (4) The authority shall make the adopted project area plan available to the general  
4127 public at the authority's offices during normal business hours.

4128 (5) Within 10 days after the day on which a project area plan is adopted that establishes  
4129 a project area, or after an amendment to a project area plan is adopted under which the  
4130 boundary of a project area is modified, the authority shall send notice of the establishment or  
4131 modification of the project area and an accurate map or plat of the project area to:

4132 (a) the State Tax Commission;

4133 (b) the Utah Geospatial Resource Center created in Section 63A-16-505; and

4134 (c) the assessor and recorder of each county where the project area is located.

4135 (6) (a) A legal action or other challenge to a project area plan or a project area  
4136 described in a project area plan is barred unless brought within 30 days after the effective date  
4137 of the project area plan.

4138 (b) A legal action or other challenge to a project area that consists of authority  
4139 jurisdictional land is barred unless brought within 30 days after the board adopts a business  
4140 plan under Subsection 11-58-202(1)(a) for the authority jurisdictional land.

4141 Section 77. Section 11-58-701 is amended to read:

4142 **11-58-701. Resolution authorizing issuance of port authority bonds --**  
4143 **Characteristics of bonds -- Notice.**

4144 (1) The authority may not issue bonds under this part unless the board first:

4145 (a) adopts a parameters resolution for the bonds that sets forth:

4146 (i) the maximum:

4147 (A) amount of bonds;

4148 (B) term; and

4149 (C) interest rate; and

4150 (ii) the expected security for the bonds; and

4151 (b) submits the parameters resolution for review and recommendation to the State

4152 Finance Review Commission created in Section [63C-25-201](#).

4153 (2) (a) As provided in the authority resolution authorizing the issuance of bonds under  
4154 this part or the trust indenture under which the bonds are issued, bonds issued under this part  
4155 may be issued in one or more series and may be sold at public or private sale and in the manner  
4156 provided in the resolution or indenture.

4157 (b) Bonds issued under this part shall bear the date, be payable at the time, bear interest  
4158 at the rate, be in the denomination and in the form, carry the conversion or registration  
4159 privileges, have the rank or priority, be executed in the manner, be subject to the terms of  
4160 redemption or tender, with or without premium, be payable in the medium of payment and at  
4161 the place, and have other characteristics as provided in the authority resolution authorizing  
4162 their issuance or the trust indenture under which they are issued.

4163 (3) Upon the board's adoption of a resolution providing for the issuance of bonds, the  
4164 board may provide for the publication of the resolution:

4165 (a) ~~[in a newspaper having general circulation in]~~ for the area within the authority's  
4166 boundaries, as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least 30 days; and

4167 (b) as required in Section [45-1-101](#).

4168 (4) In lieu of publishing the entire resolution, the board may publish notice of bonds  
4169 that contains the information described in Subsection [11-14-316\(2\)](#).

4170 (5) For a period of 30 days after the publication, any person in interest may contest:

4171 (a) the legality of the resolution or proceeding;

4172 (b) any bonds that may be authorized by the resolution or proceeding; or

4173 (c) any provisions made for the security and payment of the bonds.

4174 (6) (a) A person may contest the matters set forth in Subsection (5) by filing a verified  
4175 written complaint, within 30 days of the publication under Subsection (5), in the district court  
4176 of the county in which the person resides.

4177 (b) A person may not contest the matters set forth in Subsection (5), or the regularity,  
4178 formality, or legality of the resolution or proceeding, for any reason, after the 30-day period for  
4179 contesting provided in Subsection (6)(a).

4180 (7) No later than 60 days after the closing day of any bonds, the authority shall report  
4181 the bonds issuance, including the amount of the bonds, terms, interest rate, and security, to:

4182 (a) the Executive Appropriations Committee; and

4183 (b) the State Finance Review Commission created in Section [63C-25-201](#).

4184 Section 78. Section **11-58-901** is amended to read:

4185 **11-58-901. Dissolution of port authority -- Restrictions -- Notice of dissolution --**

4186 **Disposition of port authority property -- Port authority records -- Dissolution expenses.**

4187 (1) The authority may not be dissolved unless the authority has no outstanding bonded  
4188 indebtedness, other unpaid loans, indebtedness, or advances, and no legally binding contractual  
4189 obligations with persons or entities other than the state.

4190 (2) Upon the dissolution of the authority:

4191 (a) the Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity shall publish a notice of  
4192 dissolution:

4193 (i) [~~in a newspaper of general circulation in~~] for the county in which the dissolved  
4194 authority is located, as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least seven days; and

4195 (ii) as required in Section [45-1-101](#); and

4196 (b) all title to property owned by the authority vests in the state.

4197 (3) The books, documents, records, papers, and seal of each dissolved authority shall  
4198 be deposited for safekeeping and reference with the state auditor.

4199 (4) The authority shall pay all expenses of the deactivation and dissolution.

4200 Section 79. Section **11-59-501** is amended to read:

4201 **11-59-501. Dissolution of authority -- Restrictions -- Publishing notice of**

4202 **dissolution -- Authority records -- Dissolution expenses.**

4203 (1) The authority may not be dissolved unless:

4204 (a) the authority board first receives approval from the Legislative Management  
4205 Committee of the Legislature to dissolve the authority; and

4206 (b) the authority has no outstanding bonded indebtedness, other unpaid loans,  
4207 indebtedness, or advances, and no legally binding contractual obligations with persons or  
4208 entities other than the state.

4209 (2) To dissolve the authority, the board shall:

4210 (a) obtain the approval of the Legislative Management Committee of the Legislature;

4211 and

4212 (b) adopt a resolution dissolving the authority, to become effective as provided in the  
4213 resolution.

4214 (3) Upon the dissolution of the authority:

4215 (a) the Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity shall publish a notice of  
4216 dissolution:

4217 (i) ~~[in a newspaper of general circulation in]~~ for the county in which the dissolved  
4218 authority is located, as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least seven days; and

4219 (ii) as required in Section [45-1-101](#); and

4220 (b) all title to property owned by the authority vests in the Division of Facilities  
4221 Construction and Management, created in Section [63A-5b-301](#), for the benefit of the state.

4222 (4) The board shall deposit all books, documents, records, papers, and seal of the  
4223 dissolved authority with the state auditor for safekeeping and reference.

4224 (5) The authority shall pay all expenses of the deactivation and dissolution.

4225 Section 80. Section **11-65-204** is amended to read:

4226 **11-65-204. Management plan.**

4227 (1) (a) The board shall prepare, adopt, and, subject to Subsection (1)(b), implement a  
4228 management plan.

4229 (b) The lake authority may not begin to implement a management plan until April 1,  
4230 2023.

4231 (2) In preparing a management plan, the board shall:

4232 (a) consult with and seek and consider input from the legislative or governing body of  
4233 each adjacent political subdivision;

4234 (b) work cooperatively with and receive input from the Division of Forestry, Fire, and  
4235 State Lands; and

4236 (c) consider how the interests of adjacent political subdivisions would be affected by  
4237 implementation of the management plan.

4238 (3) A management plan shall:

4239 (a) describe in general terms the lake authority's:

4240 (i) vision and plan for achieving and implementing the policies and objectives stated in  
4241 Section [11-65-203](#); and

- 4242 (ii) overall plan for the management of Utah Lake, including an anticipated timetable  
4243 and any anticipated phases of management;
- 4244 (b) accommodate and advance, without sacrificing the policies and objectives stated in  
4245 Section 11-65-203, the compatible interests of adjacent political subdivisions;
- 4246 (c) describe in general terms how the lake authority anticipates cooperating with  
4247 adjacent political subdivisions to pursue mutually beneficial goals in connection with the  
4248 management of Utah Lake;
- 4249 (d) identify the anticipated sources of revenue for implementing the management plan;  
4250 and
- 4251 (e) be consistent with management planning conducted by the Division of Forestry,  
4252 Fire, and State Lands, to pursue the objectives of:
- 4253 (i) improving the clarity and quality of the water in Utah Lake;
- 4254 (ii) not interfering with water rights or with water storage or water supply functions of  
4255 Utah Lake;
- 4256 (iii) removing invasive plant and animal species, including phragmites and carp, from  
4257 Utah Lake;
- 4258 (iv) improving littoral zone and other plant communities in and around Utah Lake;
- 4259 (v) improving and conserving native fish and other aquatic species in Utah Lake;
- 4260 (vi) cooperating in the June Sucker Recovery Implementation Program;
- 4261 (vii) increasing the suitability of Utah Lake and Utah Lake's surrounding areas for  
4262 shore birds, waterfowl, and other avian species;
- 4263 (viii) improving navigability of Utah Lake;
- 4264 (ix) enhancing and ensuring recreational access to and opportunities on Utah Lake; and
- 4265 (x) otherwise improving the use of Utah Lake for residents and visitors.
- 4266 (4) A management plan may not interfere with or impair:
- 4267 (a) a water right;
- 4268 (b) a water project; or
- 4269 (c) the management of Utah Lake necessary for the use or operation of a water facility  
4270 associated with Utah Lake.
- 4271 (5) (a) Before adopting a management plan, the board shall:
- 4272 (i) provide a copy of the proposed management plan to:

4273 (A) the executive director of the Department of Natural Resources;  
 4274 (B) the executive director of the Department of Environmental Quality;  
 4275 (C) the state engineer; and  
 4276 (D) each adjacent political subdivision; and  
 4277 (ii) ~~[post]~~ provide a copy of the proposed management plan ~~[on the Utah Public Notice~~  
 4278 ~~Website created in Section 63A-16-601]~~, for Utah County, as a class A notice under Section  
 4279 63G-28-102, for at least 30 days.

4280 (b) Comments or suggestions relating to the proposed management plan may be  
 4281 submitted to the board within the deadline established under Subsection (5)(c).

4282 (c) The board shall establish a deadline for submitting comments or suggestions to the  
 4283 proposed management plan that is at least 30 days after the board provides a copy of the  
 4284 proposed management plan under Subsection (5)(a)(i).

4285 (d) Before adopting a management plan, the board shall consider comments and  
 4286 suggestions that are submitted by the deadline established under Subsection (5)(c).

4287 Section 81. Section **11-65-402** is amended to read:

4288 **11-65-402. Public meetings to consider and discuss draft project area plan --**  
 4289 **Notice -- Adoption of plan.**

4290 (1) The lake authority board shall hold at least two public meetings to:

- 4291 (a) receive public comment on the draft project area plan; and
- 4292 (b) consider and discuss the draft project area plan.

4293 (2) At least 10 days before holding a public meeting under Subsection (1), the lake  
 4294 authority board shall:

4295 (a) ~~[(i) post]~~ provide notice of the public meeting ~~[on the Utah Public Notice Website~~  
 4296 ~~created in Section 63A-16-601; and (ii) maintain the posting on the Utah Public Notice~~  
 4297 ~~Website until the day of the public meeting;]~~, for Utah County, as a class A notice under  
 4298 Section 63G-28-102, for at least 10 days;

4299 (b) provide notice of the public meeting to a public entity that has entered into an  
 4300 agreement with the lake authority for sharing property tax revenue; and

4301 (c) provide email notice of the public meeting to each person who has submitted a  
 4302 written request to the board to receive email notice of a public meeting under this section.

4303 (3) Following consideration and discussion of the project area plan, the board may

4304 adopt the draft project area plan as the project area plan.

4305 Section 82. Section **11-65-601** is amended to read:

4306 **11-65-601. Annual lake authority budget -- Fiscal year -- Public hearing required**  
4307 **-- Auditor forms -- Requirement to file annual budget.**

4308 (1) The board shall prepare and adopt for the lake authority an annual budget of  
4309 revenues and expenditures for each fiscal year.

4310 (2) An annual lake authority budget shall be adopted before June 22, except that the  
4311 lake authority's initial budget shall be adopted as soon as reasonably practicable after the  
4312 organization of the board and the beginning of lake authority operations.

4313 (3) The lake authority's fiscal year shall be the period from July 1 to the following June  
4314 30.

4315 (4) (a) Before adopting an annual budget, the board shall hold a public hearing on the  
4316 annual budget.

4317 (b) The lake authority shall provide notice of the public hearing on the annual budget  
4318 by publishing notice, [~~on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section [63A-16-601](#)~~] for  
4319 Utah County, as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least one week immediately  
4320 before the date of the public hearing.

4321 (c) The lake authority shall make the annual budget available for public inspection at  
4322 least three days before the date of the public hearing.

4323 (5) The state auditor shall prescribe the budget forms and the categories to be contained  
4324 in each lake authority budget, including:

4325 (a) revenues and expenditures for the budget year;

4326 (b) legal fees; and

4327 (c) administrative costs, including rent, supplies, and other materials, and salaries of  
4328 lake authority personnel.

4329 (6) Within 30 days after adopting an annual budget, the board shall file a copy of the  
4330 annual budget with the auditor of each county in which lake authority land is located, the State  
4331 Tax Commission, and the state auditor.

4332 Section 83. Section **17-27a-203** is amended to read:

4333 **17-27a-203. Notice of intent to prepare a general plan or comprehensive general**  
4334 **plan amendments in certain counties.**

4335 (1) Before preparing a proposed general plan or a comprehensive general plan  
 4336 amendment, each county of the first or second class shall provide 10 calendar days notice of the  
 4337 county's intent to prepare a proposed general plan or a comprehensive general plan amendment:

4338 (a) to each affected entity;

4339 (b) to the Utah Geospatial Resource Center created in Section [63A-16-505](#);

4340 (c) to the association of governments, established pursuant to an interlocal agreement  
 4341 under Title 11, Chapter 13, Interlocal Cooperation Act, of which the county is a member; and

4342 ~~[(d) on the Utah Public Notice Website created under Section [63A-16-601](#)]~~

4343 (d) for the county, as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least 10 days.

4344 (2) Each notice under Subsection (1) shall:

4345 (a) indicate that the county intends to prepare a general plan or a comprehensive  
 4346 general plan amendment, as the case may be;

4347 (b) describe or provide a map of the geographic area that will be affected by the general  
 4348 plan or amendment;

4349 (c) be sent by mail, e-mail, or other effective means;

4350 (d) invite the affected entities to provide information for the county to consider in the  
 4351 process of preparing, adopting, and implementing a general plan or amendment concerning:

4352 (i) impacts that the use of land proposed in the proposed general plan or amendment  
 4353 may have; and

4354 (ii) uses of land within the county that the affected entity is considering that may  
 4355 conflict with the proposed general plan or amendment; and

4356 (e) include the address of an Internet website, if the county has one, and the name and  
 4357 telephone number of an individual where more information can be obtained concerning the  
 4358 county's proposed general plan or amendment.

4359 Section 84. Section **17-27a-204** is amended to read:

4360 **17-27a-204. Notice of public hearings and public meetings to consider general**  
 4361 **plan or modifications.**

4362 (1) A county shall provide:

4363 (a) notice of the date, time, and place of the first public hearing to consider the original  
 4364 adoption or any modification of all or any portion of a general plan; and

4365 (b) notice of each public meeting on the subject.

4366 (2) Each notice of a public hearing under Subsection (1)(a) shall be at least 10 calendar  
4367 days before the public hearing and shall be:

4368 (a) published [~~on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601;~~] for  
4369 the county, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at least 10 days; and

4370 (b) mailed to each affected entity[~~; and~~].

4371 [~~(c) posted;~~]

4372 [~~(i) in at least three public locations within the county; or~~]

4373 [~~(ii) on the county's official website.~~]

4374 (3) Each notice of a public meeting under Subsection (1)(b) shall be at least 24 hours  
4375 before the meeting and shall be[~~;~~] published for the county, as a class A notice under Section  
4376 63G-28-102, for at least 24 hours.

4377 [~~(a) published on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601; and~~]

4378 [~~(b) posted;~~]

4379 [~~(i) in at least three public locations within the county; or~~]

4380 [~~(ii) on the county's official website.~~]

4381 Section 85. Section 17-27a-205 is amended to read:

4382 **17-27a-205. Notice of public hearings and public meetings on adoption or**  
4383 **modification of land use regulation.**

4384 (1) Each county shall give:

4385 (a) notice of the date, time, and place of the first public hearing to consider the  
4386 adoption or modification of a land use regulation; and

4387 (b) notice of each public meeting on the subject.

4388 (2) Each notice of a public hearing under Subsection (1)(a) shall be:

4389 (a) mailed to each affected entity at least 10 calendar days before the public hearing;

4390 and

4391 [~~(b) posted;~~]

4392 (b) published for the area affected by the land use ordinance changes, as a class B  
4393 notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at least 10 calendar days before the day of the public  
4394 hearing.

4395 [~~(i) in at least three public locations within the county; or~~]

4396 [~~(ii) on the county's official website; and~~]

4397 ~~[(c) (i) posted on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section [63A-16-601](#), at~~  
4398 ~~least 10 calendar days before the public hearing; or]~~

4399 ~~[(ii) mailed at least 10 days before the public hearing to:]~~

4400 ~~[(A) each property owner whose land is directly affected by the land use ordinance~~  
4401 ~~change; and]~~

4402 ~~[(B) each adjacent property owner within the parameters specified by county~~  
4403 ~~ordinance.]~~

4404 (3) In addition to the notice requirements described in Subsections (1) and (2), for any  
4405 proposed modification to the text of a zoning code, the notice posted in accordance with  
4406 Subsection (2) shall:

4407 (a) include a summary of the effect of the proposed modifications to the text of the  
4408 zoning code designed to be understood by a lay person; and

4409 (b) be provided to any person upon written request.

4410 (4) Each notice of a public meeting under Subsection (1)(b) shall be at least 24 hours  
4411 before the hearing and shall be ~~[posted:]~~ published for the county, as a class A notice under  
4412 Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least 24 hours.

4413 ~~[(a) in at least three public locations within the county; or]~~

4414 ~~[(b) on the county's official website.]~~

4415 (5) (a) A county shall send a courtesy notice to each owner of private real property  
4416 whose property is located entirely or partially within the proposed zoning map enactment or  
4417 amendment at least 10 days before the scheduled day of the public hearing.

4418 (b) The notice shall:

4419 (i) identify with specificity each owner of record of real property that will be affected  
4420 by the proposed zoning map or map amendments;

4421 (ii) state the current zone in which the real property is located;

4422 (iii) state the proposed new zone for the real property;

4423 (iv) provide information regarding or a reference to the proposed regulations,  
4424 prohibitions, and permitted uses that the property will be subject to if the zoning map or map  
4425 amendment is adopted;

4426 (v) state that the owner of real property may no later than 10 days after the day of the  
4427 first public hearing file a written objection to the inclusion of the owner's property in the

4428 proposed zoning map or map amendment;

4429 (vi) state the address where the property owner should file the protest;

4430 (vii) notify the property owner that each written objection filed with the county will be  
4431 provided to the county legislative body; and

4432 (viii) state the location, date, and time of the public hearing described in Section  
4433 [17-27a-502](#).

4434 (c) If a county mails notice to a property owner [~~in accordance with~~] under Subsection  
4435 [~~(2)(c)(ii)~~] (2)(b) for a public hearing on a zoning map or map amendment, the notice required  
4436 in this Subsection (5) may be included in or part of the notice described in Subsection  
4437 [~~(2)(c)(ii)~~] (2)(b) rather than sent separately.

4438 Section 86. Section **17-27a-208** is amended to read:

4439 **17-27a-208. Hearing and notice for petition to vacate a public street.**

4440 (1) For any petition to vacate some or all of a public street or county utility easement,  
4441 the legislative body shall:

4442 (a) hold a public hearing; and

4443 (b) give notice of the date, place, and time of the hearing, as provided in Subsection  
4444 (2).

4445 (2) At least 10 days before the public hearing under Subsection (1)(a), the legislative  
4446 body shall ensure that the notice required under Subsection (1)(b) is:

4447 [~~(a) mailed to the record owner of]~~

4448 (a) published for the county, as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least  
4449 10 days;

4450 (b) provided to the owner of each parcel that is accessed by the public street or county  
4451 utility easement; and

4452 [~~(b)~~] (c) mailed to each affected entity[;].

4453 [~~(c) posted on or near the public street or county utility easement in a manner that is~~  
4454 ~~calculated to alert the public; and]~~

4455 [~~(d) (i) published on the website of the county in which the land subject to the petition~~  
4456 ~~is located until the public hearing concludes; and]~~

4457 [~~(ii) published on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section [63A-16-601](#).]~~

4458 Section 87. Section **17-27a-306** is amended to read:

4459 **17-27a-306. Planning advisory areas -- Notice of hearings.**

4460 (1) (a) A planning advisory area may be established as provided in this Subsection (1).

4461 (b) A planning advisory area may not be established unless the area to be included  
4462 within the proposed planning advisory area:

4463 (i) is unincorporated;

4464 (ii) is contiguous; and

4465 (iii) (A) contains:

4466 (I) at least 20% but not more than 80% of:

4467 (Aa) the total private land area in the unincorporated county; or

4468 (Bb) the total value of locally assessed taxable property in the unincorporated county;

4469 or

4470 (II) (Aa) in a county of the second or third class, at least 5% of the total population of  
4471 the unincorporated county, but not less than 300 residents; or

4472 (Bb) in a county of the fourth, fifth, or sixth class, at least 25% of the total population  
4473 of the unincorporated county; or

4474 (B) has been declared by the United States Census Bureau as a census designated  
4475 place.

4476 (c) (i) The process to establish a planning advisory area is initiated by the filing of a  
4477 petition with the clerk of the county in which the proposed planning advisory area is located.

4478 (ii) A petition to establish a planning advisory area may not be filed if it proposes the  
4479 establishment of a planning advisory area that includes an area within a proposed planning  
4480 advisory area in a petition that has previously been certified under Subsection (1)(g), until after  
4481 the canvass of an election on the proposed planning advisory area under Subsection (1)(j).

4482 (d) A petition under Subsection (1)(c) to establish a planning advisory area shall:

4483 (i) be signed by the owners of private real property that:

4484 (A) is located within the proposed planning advisory area;

4485 (B) covers at least 10% of the total private land area within the proposed planning  
4486 advisory area; and

4487 (C) is equal in value to at least 10% of the value of all private real property within the  
4488 proposed planning advisory area;

4489 (ii) be accompanied by an accurate plat or map showing the boundary of the contiguous

4490 area proposed to be established as a planning advisory area;

4491 (iii) indicate the typed or printed name and current residence address of each owner  
4492 signing the petition;

4493 (iv) designate up to five signers of the petition as petition sponsors, one of whom shall  
4494 be designated as the contact sponsor, with the mailing address and telephone number of each  
4495 petition sponsor;

4496 (v) authorize the petition sponsor or sponsors to act on behalf of all owners signing the  
4497 petition for purposes of the petition; and

4498 (vi) request the county legislative body to provide notice of the petition and of a public  
4499 hearing, hold a public hearing, and conduct an election on the proposal to establish a planning  
4500 advisory area.

4501 (e) Subsection [10-2a-102\(3\)](#) applies to a petition to establish a planning advisory area  
4502 to the same extent as if it were an incorporation petition under Title 10, Chapter 2a, Municipal  
4503 Incorporation.

4504 (f) (i) Within seven days after the filing of a petition under Subsection (1)(c) proposing  
4505 the establishment of a planning advisory area in a county of the second class, the county clerk  
4506 shall provide notice of the filing of the petition to:

4507 (A) each owner of real property owning more than 1% of the assessed value of all real  
4508 property within the proposed planning advisory area; and

4509 (B) each owner of real property owning more than 850 acres of real property within the  
4510 proposed planning advisory area.

4511 (ii) A property owner may exclude all or part of the property owner's property from a  
4512 proposed planning advisory area in a county of the second class:

4513 (A) if:

4514 (I) (Aa) (Ii) the property owner owns more than 1% of the assessed value of all  
4515 property within the proposed planning advisory area;

4516 (Iii) the property is nonurban; and

4517 (IIIiii) the property does not or will not require municipal provision of municipal-type  
4518 services; or

4519 (Bb) the property owner owns more than 850 acres of real property within the proposed  
4520 planning advisory area; and

4521 (II) exclusion of the property will not leave within the planning advisory area an island  
4522 of property that is not part of the planning advisory area; and

4523 (B) by filing a notice of exclusion within 10 days after receiving the clerk's notice  
4524 under Subsection (1)(f)(i).

4525 (iii) (A) The county legislative body shall exclude from the proposed planning advisory  
4526 area the property identified in a notice of exclusion timely filed under Subsection (1)(f)(ii)(B) if  
4527 the property meets the applicable requirements of Subsection (1)(f)(ii)(A).

4528 (B) If the county legislative body excludes property from a proposed planning advisory  
4529 area under Subsection (1)(f)(iii), the county legislative body shall, within five days after the  
4530 exclusion, send written notice of its action to the contact sponsor.

4531 (g) (i) Within 45 days after the filing of a petition under Subsection (1)(c), the county  
4532 clerk shall:

4533 (A) with the assistance of other county officers from whom the clerk requests  
4534 assistance, determine whether the petition complies with the requirements of Subsection (1)(d);  
4535 and

4536 (B) (I) if the clerk determines that the petition complies with the requirements of  
4537 Subsection (1)(d):

4538 (Aa) certify the petition and deliver the certified petition to the county legislative body;  
4539 and

4540 (Bb) mail or deliver written notification of the certification to the contact sponsor; or

4541 (II) if the clerk determines that the petition fails to comply with any of the requirements  
4542 of Subsection (1)(d), reject the petition and notify the contact sponsor in writing of the  
4543 rejection and the reasons for the rejection.

4544 (ii) If the county clerk rejects a petition under Subsection (1)(g)(i)(B)(II), the petition  
4545 may be amended to correct the deficiencies for which it was rejected and then refiled with the  
4546 county clerk.

4547 (h) (i) Within 90 days after a petition to establish a planning advisory area is certified,  
4548 the county legislative body shall hold a public hearing on the proposal to establish a planning  
4549 advisory area.

4550 (ii) A public hearing under Subsection (1)(h)(i) shall be:

4551 (A) within the boundary of the proposed planning advisory area; or

4552 (B) if holding a public hearing in that area is not practicable, as close to that area as  
4553 practicable.

4554 (iii) At least one week before holding a public hearing under Subsection (1)(h)(i), the  
4555 county legislative body shall publish notice of the petition and the time, date, and place of the  
4556 public hearing [~~on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601~~] for the  
4557 county, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at least one week.

4558 (i) Following the public hearing under Subsection (1)(h)(i), the county legislative body  
4559 shall arrange for the proposal to establish a planning advisory area to be submitted to voters  
4560 residing within the proposed planning advisory area at the next regular general election that is  
4561 more than 90 days after the public hearing.

4562 (j) A planning advisory area is established at the time of the canvass of the results of an  
4563 election under Subsection (1)(i) if the canvass indicates that a majority of voters voting on the  
4564 proposal to establish a planning advisory area voted in favor of the proposal.

4565 (k) An area that is an established township before May 12, 2015:

4566 (i) is, as of May 12, 2015, a planning advisory area; and

4567 (ii) (A) shall change its name, if applicable, to no longer include the word "township";  
4568 and

4569 (B) may use the word "planning advisory area" in its name.

4570 (2) The county legislative body may:

4571 (a) assign to the countywide planning commission the duties established in this part  
4572 that would have been assumed by a planning advisory area planning commission designated  
4573 under Subsection (2)(b); or

4574 (b) designate and appoint a planning commission for the planning advisory area.

4575 (3) (a) An area within the boundary of a planning advisory area may be withdrawn  
4576 from the planning advisory area as provided in this Subsection (3) or in accordance with  
4577 Subsection (5)(a).

4578 (b) The process to withdraw an area from a planning advisory area is initiated by the  
4579 filing of a petition with the clerk of the county in which the planning advisory area is located.

4580 (c) A petition under Subsection (3)(b) shall:

4581 (i) be signed by the owners of private real property that:

4582 (A) is located within the area proposed to be withdrawn from the planning advisory

4583 area;

4584 (B) covers at least 50% of the total private land area within the area proposed to be  
4585 withdrawn from the planning advisory area; and

4586 (C) is equal in value to at least 33% of the value of all private real property within the  
4587 area proposed to be withdrawn from the planning advisory area;

4588 (ii) state the reason or reasons for the proposed withdrawal;

4589 (iii) be accompanied by an accurate plat or map showing the boundary of the  
4590 contiguous area proposed to be withdrawn from the planning advisory area;

4591 (iv) indicate the typed or printed name and current residence address of each owner  
4592 signing the petition;

4593 (v) designate up to five signers of the petition as petition sponsors, one of whom shall  
4594 be designated as the contact sponsor, with the mailing address and telephone number of each  
4595 petition sponsor;

4596 (vi) authorize the petition sponsor or sponsors to act on behalf of all owners signing the  
4597 petition for purposes of the petition; and

4598 (vii) request the county legislative body to withdraw the area from the planning  
4599 advisory area.

4600 (d) Subsection 10-2a-102(3) applies to a petition to withdraw an area from a planning  
4601 advisory area to the same extent as if it were an incorporation petition under Title 10, Chapter  
4602 2a, Municipal Incorporation.

4603 (e) (i) Within 45 days after the filing of a petition under Subsection (3)(b), the county  
4604 clerk shall:

4605 (A) with the assistance of other county officers from whom the clerk requests  
4606 assistance, determine whether the petition complies with the requirements of Subsection (3)(c);  
4607 and

4608 (B) (I) if the clerk determines that the petition complies with the requirements of  
4609 Subsection (3)(c):

4610 (Aa) certify the petition and deliver the certified petition to the county legislative body;  
4611 and

4612 (Bb) mail or deliver written notification of the certification to the contact sponsor; or

4613 (II) if the clerk determines that the petition fails to comply with any of the requirements

4614 of Subsection (3)(c), reject the petition and notify the contact sponsor in writing of the rejection  
4615 and the reasons for the rejection.

4616 (ii) If the county clerk rejects a petition under Subsection (3)(e)(i)(B)(II), the petition  
4617 may be amended to correct the deficiencies for which it was rejected and then refiled with the  
4618 county clerk.

4619 (f) (i) Within 60 days after a petition to withdraw an area from a planning advisory area  
4620 is certified, the county legislative body shall hold a public hearing on the proposal to withdraw  
4621 the area from the planning advisory area.

4622 (ii) A public hearing under Subsection (3)(f)(i) shall be held:

4623 (A) within the area proposed to be withdrawn from the planning advisory area; or

4624 (B) if holding a public hearing in that area is not practicable, as close to that area as  
4625 practicable.

4626 (iii) Before holding a public hearing under Subsection (3)(f)(i), the county legislative  
4627 body shall ~~[(A)]~~ publish notice of the petition and the time, date, and place of the public  
4628 hearing ~~[on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601, for three~~  
4629 ~~consecutive weeks; and]~~ for the area proposed to be withdrawn, as a class B notice under  
4630 Section 63G-28-102, for at least three weeks before the date of the hearing.

4631 ~~[(B) mail a notice of the petition and the time, date, and place of the public hearing to~~  
4632 ~~each owner of private real property within the area proposed to be withdrawn.]~~

4633 (g) (i) Within 45 days after the public hearing under Subsection (3)(f)(i), the county  
4634 legislative body shall make a written decision on the proposal to withdraw the area from the  
4635 planning advisory area.

4636 (ii) In making its decision as to whether to withdraw the area from the planning  
4637 advisory area, the county legislative body shall consider:

4638 (A) whether the withdrawal would leave the remaining planning advisory area in a  
4639 situation where the future incorporation of an area within the planning advisory area or the  
4640 annexation of an area within the planning advisory area to an adjoining municipality would be  
4641 economically or practically not feasible;

4642 (B) if the withdrawal is a precursor to the incorporation or annexation of the withdrawn  
4643 area:

4644 (I) whether the proposed subsequent incorporation or withdrawal:

4645 (Aa) will leave or create an unincorporated island or peninsula; or  
4646 (Bb) will leave the county with an area within its unincorporated area for which the  
4647 cost, requirements, or other burdens of providing municipal services would materially increase  
4648 over previous years; and  
4649 (II) whether the municipality to be created or the municipality into which the  
4650 withdrawn area is expected to annex would be or is capable, in a cost effective manner, of  
4651 providing service to the withdrawn area that the county will no longer provide due to the  
4652 incorporation or annexation;  
4653 (C) the effects of a withdrawal on adjoining property owners, existing or projected  
4654 county streets or other public improvements, law enforcement, and zoning and other municipal  
4655 services provided by the county; and  
4656 (D) whether justice and equity favor the withdrawal.  
4657 (h) Upon the written decision of the county legislative body approving the withdrawal  
4658 of an area from a planning advisory area, the area is withdrawn from the planning advisory area  
4659 and the planning advisory area continues as a planning advisory area with a boundary that  
4660 excludes the withdrawn area.  
4661 (4) (a) A planning advisory area may be dissolved as provided in this Subsection (4).  
4662 (b) The process to dissolve a planning advisory area is initiated by the filing of a  
4663 petition with the clerk of the county in which the planning advisory area is located.  
4664 (c) A petition under Subsection (4)(b) shall:  
4665 (i) be signed by registered voters within the planning advisory area equal in number to  
4666 at least 25% of all votes cast by voters within the planning advisory area at the last  
4667 congressional election;  
4668 (ii) state the reason or reasons for the proposed dissolution;  
4669 (iii) indicate the typed or printed name and current residence address of each person  
4670 signing the petition;  
4671 (iv) designate up to five signers of the petition as petition sponsors, one of whom shall  
4672 be designated as the contact sponsor, with the mailing address and telephone number of each  
4673 petition sponsor;  
4674 (v) authorize the petition sponsors to act on behalf of all persons signing the petition  
4675 for purposes of the petition; and

4676 (vi) request the county legislative body to provide notice of the petition and of a public  
4677 hearing, hold a public hearing, and conduct an election on the proposal to dissolve the planning  
4678 advisory area.

4679 (d) (i) Within 45 days after the filing of a petition under Subsection (4)(b), the county  
4680 clerk shall:

4681 (A) with the assistance of other county officers from whom the clerk requests  
4682 assistance, determine whether the petition complies with the requirements of Subsection (4)(c);  
4683 and

4684 (B) (I) if the clerk determines that the petition complies with the requirements of  
4685 Subsection (4)(c):

4686 (Aa) certify the petition and deliver the certified petition to the county legislative body;  
4687 and

4688 (Bb) mail or deliver written notification of the certification to the contact sponsor; or

4689 (II) if the clerk determines that the petition fails to comply with any of the requirements  
4690 of Subsection (4)(c), reject the petition and notify the contact sponsor in writing of the rejection  
4691 and the reasons for the rejection.

4692 (ii) If the county clerk rejects a petition under Subsection (4)(d)(i)(B)(II), the petition  
4693 may be amended to correct the deficiencies for which it was rejected and then refiled with the  
4694 county clerk.

4695 (e) (i) Within 60 days after a petition to dissolve the planning advisory area is certified,  
4696 the county legislative body shall hold a public hearing on the proposal to dissolve the planning  
4697 advisory area.

4698 (ii) A public hearing under Subsection (4)(e)(i) shall be held:

4699 (A) within the boundary of the planning advisory area; or

4700 (B) if holding a public hearing in that area is not practicable, as close to that area as  
4701 practicable.

4702 (iii) Before holding a public hearing under Subsection (4)(e)(i), the county legislative  
4703 body shall publish notice of the petition and the time, date, and place of the public hearing [~~on~~  
4704 ~~the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601;~~] for the county, as a class A  
4705 notice under Section 63G-28-102, for three consecutive weeks immediately before the public  
4706 hearing.

4707 (f) Following the public hearing under Subsection (4)(e)(i), the county legislative body  
4708 shall arrange for the proposal to dissolve the planning advisory area to be submitted to voters  
4709 residing within the planning advisory area at the next regular general election that is more than  
4710 90 days after the public hearing.

4711 (g) A planning advisory area is dissolved at the time of the canvass of the results of an  
4712 election under Subsection (4)(f) if the canvass indicates that a majority of voters voting on the  
4713 proposal to dissolve the planning advisory area voted in favor of the proposal.

4714 (5) (a) If a portion of an area located within a planning advisory area is annexed by a  
4715 municipality or incorporates, that portion is withdrawn from the planning advisory area.

4716 (b) If a planning advisory area in whole is annexed by a municipality or incorporates,  
4717 the planning advisory area is dissolved.

4718 Section 88. Section **17-27a-404** is amended to read:

4719 **17-27a-404. Public hearing by planning commission on proposed general plan or**  
4720 **amendment -- Notice -- Revisions to general plan or amendment -- Adoption or rejection**  
4721 **by legislative body.**

4722 (1) (a) After completing the planning commission's recommendation for a proposed  
4723 general plan, or proposal to amend the general plan, the planning commission shall schedule  
4724 and hold a public hearing on the proposed plan or amendment.

4725 (b) The planning commission shall provide notice of the public hearing~~[, as required by~~  
4726 ~~Section 17-27a-204.]~~ for the county, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at least  
4727 10 calendar days before the day of the public hearing.

4728 (c) After the public hearing, the planning commission may modify the proposed  
4729 general plan or amendment.

4730 (2) The planning commission shall forward the proposed general plan or amendment to  
4731 the legislative body.

4732 (3) (a) As provided by local ordinance and by Section **17-27a-204**, the legislative body  
4733 shall provide notice of the legislative body's intent to consider the general plan proposal.

4734 (b) (i) In addition to the requirements of Subsections (1), (2), and (3)(a), the legislative  
4735 body shall hold a public hearing in Salt Lake City on provisions of the proposed county plan  
4736 regarding Subsection **17-27a-401**(4). The hearing procedure shall comply with this Subsection  
4737 (3)(b).

4738 (ii) The hearing format shall allow adequate time for public comment at the actual  
4739 public hearing, and shall also allow for public comment in writing to be submitted to the  
4740 legislative body for not fewer than 90 days after the date of the public hearing.

4741 (c) (i) The legislative body shall give notice of the hearing in accordance with this  
4742 Subsection (3) when the proposed plan provisions required by Subsection 17-27a-401(4) are  
4743 complete.

4744 (ii) Direct notice of the hearing shall be given, in writing, to the governor, members of  
4745 the state Legislature, executive director of the Department of Environmental Quality, the state  
4746 planning coordinator, the Resource Development Coordinating Committee, and any other  
4747 citizens or entities who specifically request notice in writing.

4748 (iii) Public notice shall be given [~~by publication on the Utah Public Notice Website~~  
4749 ~~created in Section 63A-16-601~~] for the county, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102,  
4750 for at least 180 days.

4751 (iv) The notice shall be published to allow reasonable time for interested parties and  
4752 the state to evaluate the information regarding Subsection 17-27a-401(4), including publication  
4753 described in Subsection (3)(c)(iii) for 180 days before the date of the hearing to be held under  
4754 this Subsection (3).

4755 (4) (a) After the public hearing required under this section, the legislative body may  
4756 adopt, reject, or make any revisions to the proposed general plan that the legislative body  
4757 considers appropriate.

4758 (b) The legislative body shall respond in writing and in a substantive manner to all  
4759 those providing comments as a result of the hearing required by Subsection (3).

4760 (c) If the county legislative body rejects the proposed general plan or amendment, the  
4761 legislative body may provide suggestions to the planning commission for the planning  
4762 commission's review and recommendation.

4763 (5) The legislative body shall adopt:

4764 (a) a land use element as provided in Subsection 17-27a-403(2)(a)(i);

4765 (b) a transportation and traffic circulation element as provided in Subsection  
4766 17-27a-403(2)(a)(ii);

4767 (c) for a specified county as defined in Section 17-27a-408, a moderate income housing  
4768 element as provided in Subsection 17-27a-403(2)(a)(iii);

4769 (d) a resource management plan as provided by Subsection [17-27a-403\(2\)\(a\)\(iv\)](#); and  
4770 (e) on or before December 31, 2025, a water use and preservation element as provided  
4771 in Subsection [17-27a-403\(2\)\(a\)\(v\)](#).

4772 Section 89. Section **17-36-12** is amended to read:

4773 **17-36-12. Notice of budget hearing.**

4774 (1) The governing body shall determine the time and place for the public hearing on the  
4775 adoption of the budget.

4776 (2) Notice of such hearing shall be published[:] for the county, as a class A notice  
4777 under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least seven days before the day of the hearing.

4778 [~~(a) (i) at least seven days before the hearing in at least one newspaper of general~~  
4779 ~~circulation within the county, if there is such a paper; or]~~

4780 [~~(ii) if there is no newspaper as described in Subsection (2)(a)(i), by posting notice in~~  
4781 ~~three conspicuous places within the county seven days before the hearing;]~~

4782 [~~(b) on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section [63A-16-601](#), for seven days~~  
4783 ~~before the hearing; and]~~

4784 [~~(c) on the home page of the county's website, either in full or as a link, if the county~~  
4785 ~~has a publicly viewable website, beginning at least seven days before the hearing and until the~~  
4786 ~~hearing takes place.]~~

4787 Section 90. Section **17-36-26** is amended to read:

4788 **17-36-26. Increase in budgetary fund or county general fund -- Public hearing --**  
4789 **Notice.**

4790 (1) Before the governing body may, by resolution, increase a budget appropriation of  
4791 any budgetary fund, increase the budget of the county general fund, or make an amendment to a  
4792 budgetary fund or the county general fund, the governing body shall hold a public hearing  
4793 giving all interested parties an opportunity to be heard.

4794 (2) Notice of the public hearing described in Subsection (1) shall be published for the  
4795 county, as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least five days before the day of  
4796 the hearing[:].

4797 [~~(a) (i) in at least one issue of a newspaper generally circulated in the county; or]~~

4798 [~~(ii) if there is not a newspaper generally circulated in the county, the hearing may be~~  
4799 ~~published by posting notice in three conspicuous places within the county;]~~

4800 ~~[(b) on the Utah Public Notice Website created under Section [63A-16-601](#); and]~~  
4801 ~~[(c) on the home page of the county's website, either in full or as a link, if the county~~  
4802 ~~has a publicly viewable website, until the hearing takes place.]~~

4803 Section 91. Section **17-41-302** is amended to read:

4804 **17-41-302. Notice of proposal for creation of protection area -- Responses.**

4805 (1) (a) An applicable legislative body shall provide notice of the proposal [~~by~~], as a  
4806 class B notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least 15 days.

4807 (b) A legislative body shall provide the notice described in Subsection (1)(a) for the  
4808 geographic boundaries of the proposed agriculture protection area, industrial protection area, or  
4809 critical infrastructure materials protection area, and the area that extends 1,000 feet beyond the  
4810 geographic boundaries of the proposed agriculture protection area, industrial protection area, or  
4811 critical infrastructure materials protection area.

4812 ~~[(a) posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section [63A-16-601](#)];~~

4813 ~~[(b) posting notice at five public places, designated by the county or municipal~~  
4814 ~~legislative body, within or near the proposed agriculture protection area, industrial protection~~  
4815 ~~area, or critical infrastructure materials protection area; and]~~

4816 ~~[(c) mailing written notice to each owner of land within 1,000 feet of the land proposed~~  
4817 ~~for inclusion within an agriculture protection area, industrial protection area, or critical~~  
4818 ~~infrastructure materials protection area.]~~

4819 (2) The notice shall contain:

4820 (a) a statement that a proposal for the creation of an agriculture protection area,  
4821 industrial protection area, or critical infrastructure materials protection area has been filed with  
4822 the applicable legislative body;

4823 (b) a statement that the proposal will be open to public inspection in the office of the  
4824 applicable legislative body;

4825 (c) a statement that any person affected by the establishment of the area may, within 15  
4826 days of the date of the notice, file with the applicable legislative body:

4827 (i) written objections to the proposal; or

4828 (ii) a written request to modify the proposal to exclude land from or add land to the  
4829 proposed protection area;

4830 (d) a statement that the applicable legislative body will submit the proposal to the

4831 advisory committee and to the planning commission for review and recommendations;

4832 (e) a statement that the applicable legislative body will hold a public hearing to discuss

4833 and hear public comment on:

4834 (i) the proposal to create the agriculture protection area, industrial protection area, or

4835 critical infrastructure materials protection area;

4836 (ii) the recommendations of the advisory committee and planning commission; and

4837 (iii) any requests for modification of the proposal and any objections to the proposal;

4838 and

4839 (f) a statement indicating the date, time, and place of the public hearing.

4840 (3) (a) A person wishing to modify the proposal for the creation of the agriculture

4841 protection area, industrial protection area, or critical infrastructure materials protection area

4842 shall, within 15 days after the date of the notice, file a written request for modification of the

4843 proposal, which identifies specifically the land that should be added to or removed from the

4844 proposal.

4845 (b) A person wishing to object to the proposal for the creation of the agriculture

4846 protection area, industrial protection area, or critical infrastructure materials protection area

4847 shall, within 15 days after the date of the notice, file a written objection to the creation of the

4848 relevant protection area.

4849 Section 92. Section **17-41-304** is amended to read:

4850 **17-41-304. Public hearing -- Notice -- Review and action on proposal.**

4851 (1) After receipt of the written reports from the advisory committee and planning

4852 commission, or after the 45 days have expired, whichever is earlier, the county or municipal

4853 legislative body shall:

4854 (a) schedule a public hearing;

4855 (b) provide notice of the public hearing [by:] for the geographic area described in

4856 Subsection 17-41-302(1)(b), as a class B notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at least seven

4857 days; and

4858 [~~(i) posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601;~~]

4859 [~~(ii) posting notice at five public places, designated by the applicable legislative body,~~

4860 ~~within or near the proposed agriculture protection area, industrial protection area, or critical~~

4861 ~~infrastructure materials protection area; and]~~

4862           ~~[(iii) mailing written notice to each owner of land within 1,000 feet of the land~~  
4863 ~~proposed for inclusion within an agriculture protection area, industrial protection area, or~~  
4864 ~~critical infrastructure materials protection area; and]~~

4865           (c) ensure that the notice includes:

4866           (i) the time, date, and place of the public hearing on the proposal;

4867           (ii) a description of the proposed agriculture protection area, industrial protection area,  
4868 or critical infrastructure materials protection area;

4869           (iii) any proposed modifications to the proposed agriculture protection area, industrial  
4870 protection area, or critical infrastructure materials protection area;

4871           (iv) a summary of the recommendations of the advisory committee and planning  
4872 commission; and

4873           (v) a statement that interested persons may appear at the public hearing and speak in  
4874 favor of or against the proposal, any proposed modifications to the proposal, or the  
4875 recommendations of the advisory committee and planning commission.

4876           (2) The applicable legislative body shall:

4877           (a) convene the public hearing at the time, date, and place specified in the notice; and

4878           (b) take oral or written testimony from interested persons.

4879           (3) (a) Within 120 days of the submission of the proposal, the applicable legislative  
4880 body shall approve, modify and approve, or reject the proposal.

4881           (b) The creation of an agriculture protection area, industrial protection area, or critical  
4882 infrastructure materials protection area is effective at the earlier of:

4883           (i) the applicable legislative body's approval of a proposal or modified proposal; or

4884           (ii) 120 days after submission of a proposal complying with Subsection 17-41-301(2) if  
4885 the applicable legislative body has failed to approve or reject the proposal within that time.

4886           (c) Notwithstanding Subsection (3)(b), a critical infrastructure materials protection area  
4887 is effective only if the applicable legislative body, at its discretion, approves a proposal or  
4888 modified proposal.

4889           (4) (a) To give constructive notice of the existence of the agriculture protection area,  
4890 industrial protection area, or critical infrastructure materials protection area to all persons who  
4891 have, may acquire, or may seek to acquire an interest in land in or adjacent to the relevant  
4892 protection area within 10 days of the creation of the relevant protection area, the applicable

4893 legislative body shall file an executed document containing a legal description of the relevant  
4894 protection area with:

- 4895 (i) the county recorder of deeds; and
- 4896 (ii) the affected planning commission.

4897 (b) If the legal description of the property to be included in the relevant protection area  
4898 is available through the county recorder's office, the applicable legislative body shall use that  
4899 legal description in its executed document required in Subsection (4)(a).

4900 (5) Within 10 days of the recording of the agriculture protection area, the applicable  
4901 legislative body shall:

4902 (a) send written notification to the commissioner of agriculture and food that the  
4903 agriculture protection area has been created; and

4904 (b) include in the notification:

- 4905 (i) the number of landowners owning land within the agriculture protection area;
- 4906 (ii) the total acreage of the area;
- 4907 (iii) the date of approval of the area; and
- 4908 (iv) the date of recording.

4909 (6) The applicable legislative body's failure to record the notice required under  
4910 Subsection (4) or to send the written notification under Subsection (5) does not invalidate the  
4911 creation of an agriculture protection area.

4912 (7) The applicable legislative body may consider the cost of recording notice under  
4913 Subsection (4) and the cost of sending notification under Subsection (5) in establishing a fee  
4914 under Subsection 17-41-301(4)(b).

4915 Section 93. Section 17-41-405 is amended to read:

4916 **17-41-405. Eminent domain restrictions -- Notice of hearing.**

4917 (1) A political subdivision having or exercising eminent domain powers may not  
4918 condemn for any purpose any land within an agriculture protection area that is being used for  
4919 agricultural production, land within an industrial protection area that is being put to an  
4920 industrial use, or land within a critical infrastructure materials protection area, unless the  
4921 political subdivision obtains approval, according to the procedures and requirements of this  
4922 section, from the applicable legislative body and the advisory board.

4923 (2) Any condemnor wishing to condemn property within an agriculture protection area,

4924 industrial protection area, or critical infrastructure materials protection area shall file a notice  
4925 of condemnation with the applicable legislative body and the relevant protection area's advisory  
4926 board at least 30 days before filing an eminent domain complaint.

4927 (3) The applicable legislative body and the advisory board shall:

4928 (a) hold a joint public hearing on the proposed condemnation at a location within the  
4929 county in which the relevant protection area is located; and

4930 (b) ~~[post]~~ publish notice of the time, date, place, and purpose of the public hearing[:]  
4931 for the relevant protection area, as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least  
4932 seven days.

4933 ~~[(i) on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section [63A-16-601](#); and]~~

4934 ~~[(ii) in five conspicuous public places, designated by the applicable legislative body,~~  
4935 ~~within or near the relevant protection area.]~~

4936 (4) (a) If the condemnation is for highway purposes or for the disposal of solid or  
4937 liquid waste materials, the applicable legislative body and the advisory board may approve the  
4938 condemnation only if there is no reasonable and prudent alternative to the use of the land  
4939 within the agriculture protection area, industrial protection area, or critical infrastructure  
4940 materials protection area for the project.

4941 (b) If the condemnation is for any other purpose, the applicable legislative body and the  
4942 advisory board may approve the condemnation only if:

4943 (i) the proposed condemnation would not have an unreasonably adverse effect upon the  
4944 preservation and enhancement of:

4945 (A) agriculture within the agriculture protection area;

4946 (B) the industrial use within the industrial protection area; or

4947 (C) critical infrastructure materials operations within the critical infrastructure  
4948 materials protection area; or

4949 (ii) there is no reasonable and prudent alternative to the use of the land within the  
4950 relevant protection area for the project.

4951 (5) (a) Within 60 days after receipt of the notice of condemnation, the applicable  
4952 legislative body and the advisory board shall approve or reject the proposed condemnation.

4953 (b) If the applicable legislative body and the advisory board fail to act within the 60  
4954 days or such further time as the applicable legislative body establishes, the condemnation shall

4955 be considered rejected.

4956 (6) The applicable legislative body or the advisory board may request the county or  
4957 municipal attorney to bring an action to enjoin any condemnor from violating any provisions of  
4958 this section.

4959 Section 94. Section **17-50-303** is amended to read:

4960 **17-50-303. County may not give or lend credit -- County may borrow in**  
4961 **anticipation of revenues -- Assistance to nonprofit and private entities -- Notice**  
4962 **requirements.**

4963 (1) A county may not give or lend its credit to or in aid of any person or corporation,  
4964 or, except as provided in Subsection (3), appropriate money in aid of any private enterprise.

4965 (2) (a) A county may borrow money in anticipation of the collection of taxes and other  
4966 county revenues in the manner and subject to the conditions of Title 11, Chapter 14, Local  
4967 Government Bonding Act.

4968 (b) A county may incur indebtedness under Subsection (2)(a) for any purpose for which  
4969 funds of the county may be expended.

4970 (3) (a) A county may appropriate money to or provide nonmonetary assistance to a  
4971 nonprofit entity, or waive fees required to be paid by a nonprofit entity, if, in the judgment of  
4972 the county legislative body, the assistance contributes to the safety, health, prosperity, moral  
4973 well-being, peace, order, comfort, or convenience of county residents.

4974 (b) A county may appropriate money to a nonprofit entity from the county's own funds  
4975 or from funds the county receives from the state or any other source.

4976 (4) (a) As used in this Subsection (4):

4977 (i) "Private enterprise" means a person that engages in an activity for profit.

4978 (ii) "Project" means an activity engaged in by a private enterprise.

4979 (b) A county may appropriate money in aid of a private enterprise project if:

4980 (i) subject to Subsection (4)(c), the county receives value in return for the money  
4981 appropriated; and

4982 (ii) in the judgment of the county legislative body, the private enterprise project  
4983 provides for the safety, health, prosperity, moral well-being, peace, order, comfort, or  
4984 convenience of the county residents.

4985 (c) The county shall measure the net value received by the county for money

4986 appropriated by the county to a private entity on a project-by-project basis over the life of the  
4987 project.

4988 (d) (i) Before a county legislative body may appropriate funds in aid of a private  
4989 enterprise project under this Subsection (4), the county legislative body shall:

4990 (A) adopt by ordinance criteria to determine what value, if any, the county will receive  
4991 in return for money appropriated under this Subsection (4);

4992 (B) conduct a study as described in Subsection (4)(e) on the proposed appropriation  
4993 and private enterprise project; and

4994 (C) post notice, subject to Subsection (4)(f), and hold a public hearing on the proposed  
4995 appropriation and the private enterprise project.

4996 (ii) The county legislative body may consider an intangible benefit as a value received  
4997 by the county.

4998 (e) (i) Before publishing or posting notice in accordance with Subsection (4)(f), the  
4999 county shall study:

5000 (A) any value the county will receive in return for money or resources appropriated to a  
5001 private entity;

5002 (B) the county's purpose for the appropriation, including an analysis of the way the  
5003 appropriation will be used to enhance the safety, health, prosperity, moral well-being, peace,  
5004 order, comfort, or convenience of the county residents; and

5005 (C) whether the appropriation is necessary and appropriate to accomplish the  
5006 reasonable goals and objectives of the county in the area of economic development, job  
5007 creation, affordable housing, elimination of a development impediment, as defined in Section  
5008 [17C-1-102](#), job preservation, the preservation of historic structures, analyzing and improving  
5009 county government structure or property, or any other public purpose.

5010 (ii) The county shall:

5011 (A) prepare a written report of the results of the study; and

5012 (B) make the report available to the public at least 14 days immediately prior to the  
5013 scheduled day of the public hearing described in Subsection (4)(d)(i)(C).

5014 (f) The county shall publish notice of the public hearing required in Subsection  
5015 (4)(d)(i)(C)[:] for the county, as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least 14 days  
5016 before the day of the public hearing.

5017 ~~[(i) in a newspaper of general circulation at least 14 days before the date of the hearing~~  
5018 ~~or, if there is no newspaper of general circulation, by posting notice in at least three~~  
5019 ~~conspicuous places within the county for the same time period; and]~~

5020 ~~[(ii) on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section [63A-16-601](#), at least 14 days~~  
5021 ~~before the date of the hearing.]~~

5022 (g) (i) A person may appeal the decision of the county legislative body to appropriate  
5023 funds under this Subsection (4).

5024 (ii) A person shall file an appeal with the district court within 30 days after the day on  
5025 which the legislative body adopts an ordinance or approves a budget to appropriate the funds.

5026 (iii) A court shall:

5027 (A) presume that an ordinance adopted or appropriation made under this Subsection (4)  
5028 is valid; and

5029 (B) determine only whether the ordinance or appropriation is arbitrary, capricious, or  
5030 illegal.

5031 (iv) A determination of illegality requires a determination that the decision or  
5032 ordinance violates a law, statute, or ordinance in effect at the time the decision was made or the  
5033 ordinance was adopted.

5034 (v) The district court's review is limited to:

5035 (A) a review of the criteria adopted by the county legislative body under Subsection  
5036 (4)(d)(i)(A);

5037 (B) the record created by the county legislative body at the public hearing described in  
5038 Subsection (4)(d)(i)(C); and

5039 (C) the record created by the county in preparation of the study and the study itself as  
5040 described in Subsection (4)(e).

5041 (vi) If there is no record, the court may call witnesses and take evidence.

5042 (h) This section applies only to an appropriation not otherwise approved in accordance  
5043 with Title 17, Chapter 36, Uniform Fiscal Procedures Act for Counties.

5044 Section 95. Section **17B-1-106** is amended to read:

5045 **17B-1-106. Notice before preparing or amending a long-range plan or acquiring**  
5046 **certain property.**

5047 (1) As used in this section:

5048 (a) (i) "Affected entity" means each county, municipality, local district under this title,  
5049 special service district, school district, interlocal cooperation entity established under Title 11,  
5050 Chapter 13, Interlocal Cooperation Act, and specified public utility:

5051 (A) whose services or facilities are likely to require expansion or significant  
5052 modification because of an intended use of land; or

5053 (B) that has filed with the local district a copy of the general or long-range plan of the  
5054 county, municipality, local district, school district, interlocal cooperation entity, or specified  
5055 public utility.

5056 (ii) "Affected entity" does not include the local district that is required under this  
5057 section to provide notice.

5058 (b) "Specified public utility" means an electrical corporation, gas corporation, or  
5059 telephone corporation, as those terms are defined in Section [54-2-1](#).

5060 (2) (a) If a local district under this title located in a county of the first or second class  
5061 prepares a long-range plan regarding the local district's facilities proposed for the future or  
5062 amends an already existing long-range plan, the local district shall, before preparing a  
5063 long-range plan or amendments to an existing long-range plan, provide written notice, as  
5064 provided in this section, of the local district's intent to prepare a long-range plan or to amend an  
5065 existing long-range plan.

5066 (b) Each notice under Subsection (2)(a) shall:

5067 (i) indicate that the local district intends to prepare a long-range plan or to amend a  
5068 long-range plan, as the case may be;

5069 (ii) describe or provide a map of the geographic area that will be affected by the  
5070 long-range plan or amendments to a long-range plan;

5071 (iii) be:

5072 (A) sent to each county in whose unincorporated area and each municipality in whose  
5073 boundaries is located the land on which the proposed long-range plan or amendments to a  
5074 long-range plan are expected to indicate that the proposed facilities will be located;

5075 (B) sent to each affected entity;

5076 (C) sent to the Utah Geospatial Resource Center created in Section [63A-16-505](#);

5077 (D) sent to each association of governments, established pursuant to an interlocal  
5078 agreement under Title 11, Chapter 13, Interlocal Cooperation Act, of which a county or

5079 municipality described in Subsection (2)(b)(iii)(A) is a member; and

5080 (E) published for the local district, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at  
5081 least 14 days;

5082 [~~(E) (I) placed on the Utah Public Notice Website created under Section 63A-16-601, if  
5083 the local district;~~]

5084 [~~(Aa) is required under Subsection 52-4-203(3) to use that website to provide public  
5085 notice of a meeting; or]~~

5086 [~~(Bb) voluntarily chooses to place notice on that website despite not being required to  
5087 do so under Subsection (2)(b)(iii)(E)(I)(Aa); or]~~

5088 [~~(H) the state planning coordinator appointed under Section 63J-4-401, if the local  
5089 district does not provide notice on the Utah Public Notice Website under Subsection  
5090 (2)(b)(iii)(E)(I);]~~

5091 (iv) with respect to the notice to counties and municipalities described in Subsection  
5092 (2)(b)(iii)(A) and affected entities, invite them to provide information for the local district to  
5093 consider in the process of preparing, adopting, and implementing the long-range plan or  
5094 amendments to a long-range plan concerning:

5095 (A) impacts that the use of land proposed in the proposed long-range plan or  
5096 amendments to a long-range plan may have on the county, municipality, or affected entity; and

5097 (B) uses of land that the county, municipality, or affected entity is planning or  
5098 considering that may conflict with the proposed long-range plan or amendments to a long-range  
5099 plan; and

5100 (v) include the address of an Internet website, if the local district has one, and the name  
5101 and telephone number of an individual where more information can be obtained concerning the  
5102 local district's proposed long-range plan or amendments to a long-range plan.

5103 (3) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (3)(d), each local district intending to acquire  
5104 real property in a county of the first or second class for the purpose of expanding the local  
5105 district's infrastructure or other facilities used for providing the services that the local district is  
5106 authorized to provide shall provide written notice, as provided in this Subsection (3), of the  
5107 local district's intent to acquire the property if the intended use of the property is contrary to:

5108 (i) the anticipated use of the property under the county or municipality's general plan;  
5109 or

- 5110 (ii) the property's current zoning designation.
- 5111 (b) Each notice under Subsection (3)(a) shall:
- 5112 (i) indicate that the local district intends to acquire real property;
- 5113 (ii) identify the real property; and
- 5114 (iii) be sent to:
- 5115 (A) each county in whose unincorporated area and each municipality in whose
- 5116 boundaries the property is located; and
- 5117 (B) each affected entity.
- 5118 (c) A notice under this Subsection (3) is a protected record as provided in Subsection
- 5119 [63G-2-305](#)(8).
- 5120 (d) (i) The notice requirement of Subsection (3)(a) does not apply if the local district
- 5121 previously provided notice under Subsection (2) identifying the general location within the
- 5122 municipality or unincorporated part of the county where the property to be acquired is located.
- 5123 (ii) If a local district is not required to comply with the notice requirement of
- 5124 Subsection (3)(a) because of application of Subsection (3)(d)(i), the local district shall provide
- 5125 the notice specified in Subsection (3)(a) as soon as practicable after the local district's
- 5126 acquisition of the real property.
- 5127 Section 96. Section **17B-1-111** is amended to read:
- 5128 **17B-1-111. Impact fee resolution -- Notice and hearing requirements.**
- 5129 (1) (a) If a local district wishes to impose impact fees, the board of trustees of the local
- 5130 district shall:
- 5131 (i) prepare a proposed impact fee resolution that meets the requirements of Title 11,
- 5132 Chapter 36a, Impact Fees Act;
- 5133 (ii) make a copy of the impact fee resolution available to the public at least [~~14~~] 10
- 5134 days before the date of the public hearing and hold a public hearing on the proposed impact fee
- 5135 resolution; and
- 5136 (iii) provide reasonable notice of the public hearing for the local district, as a class A
- 5137 notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least [~~14~~] 10 days before the date of the hearing.
- 5138 (b) After the public hearing, the board of trustees may:
- 5139 (i) adopt the impact fee resolution as proposed;
- 5140 (ii) amend the impact fee resolution and adopt or reject it as amended; or

5141 (iii) reject the resolution.

5142 [~~(2) A local district meets the requirements of reasonable notice required by this~~  
5143 ~~section if it:]~~

5144 [~~(a) posts notice of the hearing or meeting in at least three public places within the~~  
5145 ~~jurisdiction; or]~~

5146 [~~(b) gives actual notice of the hearing or meeting:]~~

5147 [~~(3)~~] (2) The local district's board of trustees may enact a resolution establishing  
5148 stricter notice requirements than those required by this section.

5149 [~~(4)~~] (3) (a) Proof that [~~one of the two forms of]~~ notice required by this section was  
5150 given is prima facie evidence that notice was properly given.

5151 (b) If notice given under authority of this section is not challenged within 30 days from  
5152 the date of the meeting for which the notice was given, the notice is considered adequate and  
5153 proper.

5154 Section 97. Section **17B-1-211** is amended to read:

5155 **17B-1-211. Notice of public hearings -- Publication of resolution.**

5156 (1) Before holding a public hearing or set of public hearings under Section **17B-1-210**,  
5157 the legislative body of each county or municipality with which a request is filed or that adopts a  
5158 resolution under Subsection **17B-1-203(1)(d)** and the board of trustees of each local district  
5159 that adopts a resolution under Subsection **17B-1-203(1)(e)** shall~~[:]~~ publish notice for the  
5160 proposed local district, as a class B notice under Section **63G-28-102**, for at least two weeks  
5161 before the day of the hearing or the day of the first of the set of hearings.

5162 [~~(a) (i) in accordance with Subsection (2), post at least one notice per 1,000 population~~  
5163 ~~of the applicable area and at places within the area that are most likely to provide actual notice~~  
5164 ~~to residents of the area; and]~~

5165 [~~(ii) publish notice on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section **63A-16-601**,~~  
5166 ~~for two weeks before the hearing or the first of the set of hearings; or]~~

5167 [~~(b) mail a notice to each registered voter residing within and each owner of real~~  
5168 ~~property located within the proposed local district.]~~

5169 (2) Each notice required under Subsection (1) shall:

5170 (a) if the hearing or set of hearings is concerning a resolution:

5171 (i) contain the entire text or an accurate summary of the resolution; and

5172 (ii) state the deadline for filing a protest against the creation of the proposed local  
5173 district;

5174 (b) clearly identify each governing body involved in the hearing or set of hearings;

5175 (c) state the date, time, and place for the hearing or set of hearings and the purposes for  
5176 the hearing or set of hearings; and

5177 (d) describe or include a map of the entire proposed local district.

5178 (3) County or municipal legislative bodies may jointly provide the notice required  
5179 under this section if all the requirements of this section are met as to each notice.

5180 Section 98. Section **17B-1-304** is amended to read:

5181 **17B-1-304. Appointment procedures for appointed members -- Notice of vacancy.**

5182 (1) The appointing authority may, by resolution, appoint persons to serve as members  
5183 of a local district board by following the procedures established by this section.

5184 (2) (a) In any calendar year when appointment of a new local district board member is  
5185 required, the appointing authority shall prepare a notice of vacancy that contains:

5186 (i) the positions that are vacant that shall be filled by appointment;

5187 (ii) the qualifications required to be appointed to those positions;

5188 (iii) the procedures for appointment that the governing body will follow in making  
5189 those appointments; and

5190 (iv) the person to be contacted and any deadlines that a person shall meet who wishes  
5191 to be considered for appointment to those positions.

5192 (b) The appointing authority shall~~[:]~~ publish the notice of vacancy for the local district,  
5193 as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least one month before the deadline for  
5194 accepting nominees for appointment.

5195 ~~[(i) post the notice of vacancy in four public places within the local district at least one~~  
5196 ~~month before the deadline for accepting nominees for appointment; and]~~

5197 ~~[(ii) post the notice of vacancy on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section~~  
5198 ~~[63A-16-601](#), for five days before the deadline for accepting nominees for appointment.]~~

5199 (c) The appointing authority may bill the local district for the cost of preparing,  
5200 printing, and publishing the notice.

5201 (3) (a) After the appointing authority is notified of a vacancy and has satisfied the  
5202 requirements described in Subsection (2), the appointing authority shall select a person to fill

5203 the vacancy from the applicants who meet the qualifications established by law.

5204 (b) The appointing authority shall:

5205 (i) comply with Title 52, Chapter 4, Open and Public Meetings Act, in making the  
5206 appointment;

5207 (ii) allow any interested persons to be heard; and

5208 (iii) adopt a resolution appointing a person to the local district board.

5209 (c) If no candidate for appointment to fill the vacancy receives a majority vote of the  
5210 appointing authority, the appointing authority shall select the appointee from the two top  
5211 candidates by lot.

5212 (4) Persons appointed to serve as members of the local district board serve four-year  
5213 terms, but may be removed for cause at any time after a hearing by two-thirds vote of the  
5214 appointing body.

5215 (5) (a) At the end of each board member's term, the position is considered vacant, and,  
5216 after following the appointment procedures established in this section, the appointing authority  
5217 may either reappoint the incumbent board member or appoint a new member.

5218 (b) Notwithstanding Subsection (5)(a), a board member may continue to serve until a  
5219 successor is elected or appointed and qualified in accordance with Subsection 17B-1-303(2)(b).

5220 (6) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, if the appointing authority  
5221 appoints one of its own members and that member meets all applicable statutory board member  
5222 qualifications, the appointing authority need not comply with Subsection (2) or (3).

5223 Section 99. Section 17B-1-306 is amended to read:

5224 **17B-1-306. Local district board -- Election procedures -- Notice.**

5225 (1) Except as provided in Subsection (12), each elected board member shall be selected  
5226 as provided in this section.

5227 (2) (a) Each election of a local district board member shall be held:

5228 (i) at the same time as the municipal general election or the regular general election, as  
5229 applicable; and

5230 (ii) at polling places designated by the local district board in consultation with the  
5231 county clerk for each county in which the local district is located, which polling places shall  
5232 coincide with municipal general election or regular general election polling places, as  
5233 applicable, whenever feasible.

5234 (b) The local district board, in consultation with the county clerk, may consolidate two  
5235 or more polling places to enable voters from more than one district to vote at one consolidated  
5236 polling place.

5237 (c) (i) Subject to Subsections (5)(h) and (i), the number of polling places under  
5238 Subsection (2)(a)(ii) in an election of board members of an irrigation district shall be one  
5239 polling place per division of the district, designated by the district board.

5240 (ii) Each polling place designated by an irrigation district board under Subsection  
5241 (2)(c)(i) shall coincide with a polling place designated by the county clerk under Subsection  
5242 (2)(a)(ii).

5243 (3) The clerk of each local district with a board member position to be filled at the next  
5244 municipal general election or regular general election, as applicable, shall provide notice of:

5245 (a) each elective position of the local district to be filled at the next municipal general  
5246 election or regular general election, as applicable;

5247 (b) the constitutional and statutory qualifications for each position; and

5248 (c) the dates and times for filing a declaration of candidacy.

5249 (4) The clerk of the local district shall publish the notice described in Subsection (3)[:]  
5250 for the local district, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at least 10 days before  
5251 the first day for filing a declaration of candidacy.

5252 [~~(a) by posting the notice on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section~~  
5253 ~~63A-16-601, for 10 days before the first day for filing a declaration of candidacy;]~~

5254 [~~(b) by posting the notice in at least five public places within the local district at least~~  
5255 ~~10 days before the first day for filing a declaration of candidacy; and]~~

5256 [~~(c) if the local district has a website, on the local district's website for 10 days before~~  
5257 ~~the first day for filing a declaration of candidacy.]~~

5258 (5) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (5)(c), to become a candidate for an elective  
5259 local district board position, an individual shall file a declaration of candidacy in person with  
5260 an official designated by the local district within the candidate filing period for the applicable  
5261 election year in which the election for the local district board is held and:

5262 (i) during the local district's standard office hours, if the standard office hours provide  
5263 at least three consecutive office hours each day during the candidate filing period that is not a  
5264 holiday or weekend; or

5265 (ii) if the standard office hours of a local district do not provide at least three  
5266 consecutive office hours each day, a three-hour consecutive time period each day designated by  
5267 the local district during the candidate filing period that is not a holiday or weekend.

5268 (b) When the candidate filing deadline falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or holiday, the  
5269 filing time shall be extended until the close of normal office hours on the following regular  
5270 business day.

5271 (c) Subject to Subsection (5)(f), an individual may designate an agent to file a  
5272 declaration of candidacy with the official designated by the local district if:

5273 (i) the individual is located outside of the state during the entire filing period;

5274 (ii) the designated agent appears in person before the official designated by the local  
5275 district; and

5276 (iii) the individual communicates with the official designated by the local district using  
5277 an electronic device that allows the individual and official to see and hear each other.

5278 (d) (i) Before the filing officer may accept any declaration of candidacy from an  
5279 individual, the filing officer shall:

5280 (A) read to the individual the constitutional and statutory qualification requirements for  
5281 the office that the individual is seeking; and

5282 (B) require the individual to state whether the individual meets those requirements.

5283 (ii) If the individual does not meet the qualification requirements for the office, the  
5284 filing officer may not accept the individual's declaration of candidacy.

5285 (iii) If it appears that the individual meets the requirements of candidacy, the filing  
5286 officer shall accept the individual's declaration of candidacy.

5287 (e) The declaration of candidacy shall be in substantially the following form:

5288 "I, (print name) \_\_\_\_\_, being first duly sworn, say that I reside at (Street)  
5289 \_\_\_\_\_, City of \_\_\_\_\_, County of \_\_\_\_\_, state of Utah, (Zip  
5290 Code) \_\_\_\_\_, (Telephone Number, if any) \_\_\_\_\_; that I meet the qualifications for the  
5291 office of board of trustees member for \_\_\_\_\_ (state the name of the local  
5292 district); that I am a candidate for that office to be voted upon at the next election; and that, if  
5293 filing via a designated agent, I will be out of the state of Utah during the entire candidate filing  
5294 period, and I hereby request that my name be printed upon the official ballot for that election.

5295 (Signed) \_\_\_\_\_

5296 Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me by \_\_\_\_\_ on this \_\_\_\_\_ day

5297 of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

5298 (Signed) \_\_\_\_\_

5299 (Clerk or Notary Public)".

5300 (f) An agent designated under Subsection (5)(c) may not sign the form described in

5301 Subsection (5)(e).

5302 (g) Each individual wishing to become a valid write-in candidate for an elective local

5303 district board position is governed by Section 20A-9-601.

5304 (h) If at least one individual does not file a declaration of candidacy as required by this

5305 section, an individual shall be appointed to fill that board position in accordance with the

5306 appointment provisions of Section 20A-1-512.

5307 (i) If only one candidate files a declaration of candidacy and there is no write-in

5308 candidate who complies with Section 20A-9-601, the board, in accordance with Section

5309 20A-1-206, may:

5310 (i) consider the candidate to be elected to the position; and

5311 (ii) cancel the election.

5312 (6) (a) A primary election may be held if:

5313 (i) the election is authorized by the local district board; and

5314 (ii) the number of candidates for a particular local board position or office exceeds

5315 twice the number of persons needed to fill that position or office.

5316 (b) The primary election shall be conducted:

5317 (i) on the same date as the municipal primary election or the regular primary election,

5318 as applicable; and

5319 (ii) according to the procedures for primary elections provided under Title 20A,

5320 Election Code.

5321 (7) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (7)(c), within one business day after the

5322 deadline for filing a declaration of candidacy, the local district clerk shall certify the candidate

5323 names to the clerk of each county in which the local district is located.

5324 (b) (i) Except as provided in Subsection (7)(c) and in accordance with Section  
5325 20A-6-305, the clerk of each county in which the local district is located and the local district  
5326 clerk shall coordinate the placement of the name of each candidate for local district office in  
5327 the nonpartisan section of the ballot with the appropriate election officer.

5328 (ii) If consolidation of the local district election ballot with the municipal general  
5329 election ballot or the regular general election ballot, as applicable, is not feasible, the local  
5330 district board of trustees, in consultation with the county clerk, shall provide for a separate  
5331 local district election ballot to be administered by poll workers at polling places designated  
5332 under Subsection (2).

5333 (c) (i) Subsections (7)(a) and (b) do not apply to an election of a member of the board  
5334 of an irrigation district established under Chapter 2a, Part 5, Irrigation District Act.

5335 (ii) (A) Subject to Subsection (7)(c)(ii)(B), the board of each irrigation district shall  
5336 prescribe the form of the ballot for each board member election.

5337 (B) Each ballot for an election of an irrigation district board member shall be in a  
5338 nonpartisan format.

5339 (C) The name of each candidate shall be placed on the ballot in the order specified  
5340 under Section 20A-6-305.

5341 (8) (a) Each voter at an election for a board of trustees member of a local district shall:

5342 (i) be a registered voter within the district, except for an election of:

5343 (A) an irrigation district board of trustees member; or

5344 (B) a basic local district board of trustees member who is elected by property owners;

5345 and

5346 (ii) meet the requirements to vote established by the district.

5347 (b) Each voter may vote for as many candidates as there are offices to be filled.

5348 (c) The candidates who receive the highest number of votes are elected.

5349 (9) Except as otherwise provided by this section, the election of local district board  
5350 members is governed by Title 20A, Election Code.

5351 (10) (a) Except as provided in Subsection 17B-1-303(8), a person elected to serve on a  
5352 local district board shall serve a four-year term, beginning at noon on the January 1 after the  
5353 person's election.

5354 (b) A person elected shall be sworn in as soon as practical after January 1.

5355 (11) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (11)(b), each local district shall reimburse  
5356 the county or municipality holding an election under this section for the costs of the election  
5357 attributable to that local district.

5358 (b) Each irrigation district shall bear the district's own costs of each election the district  
5359 holds under this section.

5360 (12) This section does not apply to an improvement district that provides electric or gas  
5361 service.

5362 (13) Except as provided in Subsection [20A-3a-605\(1\)\(b\)](#), the provisions of Title 20A,  
5363 Chapter 3a, Part 6, Early Voting, do not apply to an election under this section.

5364 (14) (a) As used in this Subsection (14), "board" means:

5365 (i) a local district board; or

5366 (ii) the administrative control board of a special service district that has elected  
5367 members on the board.

5368 (b) A board may hold elections for membership on the board at a regular general  
5369 election instead of a municipal general election if the board submits an application to the  
5370 lieutenant governor that:

5371 (i) requests permission to hold elections for membership on the board at a regular  
5372 general election instead of a municipal general election; and

5373 (ii) indicates that holding elections at the time of the regular general election is  
5374 beneficial, based on potential cost savings, a potential increase in voter turnout, or another  
5375 material reason.

5376 (c) Upon receipt of an application described in Subsection (14)(b), the lieutenant  
5377 governor may approve the application if the lieutenant governor concludes that holding the  
5378 elections at the regular general election is beneficial based on the criteria described in  
5379 Subsection (14)(b)(ii).

5380 (d) If the lieutenant governor approves a board's application described in this section:

5381 (i) all future elections for membership on the board shall be held at the time of the  
5382 regular general election; and

5383 (ii) the board may not hold elections at the time of a municipal general election unless  
5384 the board receives permission from the lieutenant governor to hold all future elections for  
5385 membership on the board at a municipal general election instead of a regular general election,

5386 under the same procedure, and by applying the same criteria, described in this Subsection (14).

5387 (15) (a) This Subsection (15) applies to a local district if:

5388 (i) the local district's board members are elected by the owners of real property, as  
5389 provided in Subsection 17B-1-1402(1)(b); and

5390 (ii) the local district was created before January 1, 2020.

5391 (b) The board of a local district described in Subsection (15)(a) may conduct an  
5392 election:

5393 (i) to fill a board member position that expires at the end of the term for that board  
5394 member's position; and

5395 (ii) notwithstanding Subsection 20A-1-512(1)(a)(i), to fill a vacancy in an unexpired  
5396 term of a board member.

5397 (c) An election under Subsection (15)(b) may be conducted as determined by the local  
5398 district board, subject to Subsection (15)(d).

5399 (d) (i) The local district board shall provide to property owners eligible to vote at the  
5400 local district election:

5401 (A) notice of the election; and

5402 (B) a form to nominate an eligible individual to be elected as a board member.

5403 (ii) (A) The local district board may establish a deadline for a property owner to submit  
5404 a nomination form.

5405 (B) A deadline under Subsection (15)(d)(ii)(A) may not be earlier than 15 days after  
5406 the board provides the notice and nomination form under Subsection (15)(d)(i).

5407 (iii) (A) After the deadline for submitting nomination forms, the local district board  
5408 shall provide a ballot to all property owners eligible to vote at the local district election.

5409 (B) A local district board shall allow at least five days for ballots to be returned.

5410 (iv) A local district board shall certify the results of an election under this Subsection  
5411 (15) during an open meeting of the board.

5412 Section 100. Section 17B-1-313 is amended to read:

5413 **17B-1-313. Publication of notice of board resolution or action -- Contest period --**

5414 **No contest after contest period.**

5415 (1) After the board of trustees of a local district adopts a resolution or takes other  
5416 action on behalf of the district, the board may provide for the publication of a notice of the

5417 resolution or other action.

5418 (2) Each notice under Subsection (1) shall:

5419 (a) include, as the case may be:

5420 (i) the language of the resolution or a summary of the resolution; or

5421 (ii) a description of the action taken by the board;

5422 (b) state that:

5423 (i) any person in interest may file an action in district court to contest the regularity,

5424 formality, or legality of the resolution or action within 30 days after the date of publication; and

5425 (ii) if the resolution or action is not contested by filing an action in district court within

5426 the 30-day period, no one may contest the regularity, formality, or legality of the resolution or

5427 action after the expiration of the 30-day period; and

5428 (c) be ~~[posted on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601]~~

5429 published for the local district, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at least 30

5430 days.

5431 (3) For a period of 30 days after the date of the publication, any person in interest may

5432 contest the regularity, formality, or legality of the resolution or other action by filing an action

5433 in district court.

5434 (4) After the expiration of the 30-day period under Subsection (3), no one may contest

5435 the regularity, formality, or legality of the resolution or action for any cause.

5436 Section 101. Section **17B-1-413** is amended to read:

5437 **17B-1-413. Hearing, notice, and protest provisions do not apply for certain**  
5438 **petitions.**

5439 (1) Section 17B-1-412 does not apply, and, except as provided in Subsection (2)(a),

5440 Sections 17B-1-409 and 17B-1-410 do not apply:

5441 (a) if the process to annex an area to a local district was initiated by:

5442 (i) a petition under Subsection 17B-1-403(1)(a)(i);

5443 (ii) a petition under Subsection 17B-1-403(1)(a)(ii)(A) that was signed by the owners  
5444 of private real property that:

5445 (A) is located within the area proposed to be annexed;

5446 (B) covers at least 75% of the total private land area within the entire area proposed to

5447 be annexed and within each applicable area; and

5448 (C) is equal in assessed value to at least 75% of the assessed value of all private real  
5449 property within the entire area proposed to be annexed and within each applicable area; or  
5450 (iii) a petition under Subsection 17B-1-403(1)(a)(ii)(B) that was signed by registered  
5451 voters residing within the entire area proposed to be annexed and within each applicable area  
5452 equal in number to at least 75% of the number of votes cast within the entire area proposed to  
5453 be annexed and within each applicable area, respectively, for the office of governor at the last  
5454 regular general election before the filing of the petition;

5455 (b) to an annexation under Section 17B-1-415; or

5456 (c) to a boundary adjustment under Section 17B-1-417.

5457 (2) (a) If a petition that meets the requirements of Subsection (1)(a) is certified under  
5458 Section 17B-1-405, the local district board:

5459 (i) shall provide notice of the proposed annexation as provided in Subsection (2)(b);  
5460 and

5461 (ii) (A) may, in the board's discretion, hold a public hearing as provided in Section  
5462 17B-1-409 after giving notice of the public hearing as provided in Subsection (2)(b); and

5463 (B) shall, after giving notice of the public hearing as provided in Subsection (2)(b),  
5464 hold a public hearing as provided in Section 17B-1-409 if a written request to do so is  
5465 submitted, within 20 days after the local district provides notice under Subsection (2)(a)(i), to  
5466 the local district board by an owner of property that is located within or a registered voter  
5467 residing within the area proposed to be annexed who did not sign the annexation petition.

5468 (b) The notice required under Subsections (2)(a)(i) and (ii) shall:

5469 (i) be given:

5470 (A) (I) for a notice under Subsection (2)(a)(i), within 30 days after petition  
5471 certification; or

5472 (II) for a notice of a public hearing under Subsection (2)(a)(ii), at least 10 but not more  
5473 than 30 days before the public hearing; and

5474 (B) by[:] providing notice, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for the area  
5475 proposed to be annexed, through the day of the public hearing; and

5476 ~~[(f) posting written notice at the local district's principal office and in one or more other~~  
5477 ~~locations within or proximate to the area proposed to be annexed as are reasonable under the~~  
5478 ~~circumstances, considering the number of parcels included in that area, the size of the area, the~~

5479 ~~population of the area, and the contiguousness of the area; and]~~

5480 ~~[(H) providing written notice:]~~

5481 ~~[(Aa) to at least one newspaper of general circulation, if there is one, within the area~~

5482 ~~proposed to be annexed or to a local media correspondent; and]~~

5483 ~~[(Bb) on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section [63A-16-601](#); and]~~

5484 (ii) contain a brief explanation of the proposed annexation and include the name of the

5485 local district, the service provided by the local district, a description or map of the area

5486 proposed to be annexed, a local district telephone number where additional information about

5487 the proposed annexation may be obtained, and, for a notice under Subsection (2)(a)(i), an

5488 explanation of the right of a property owner or registered voter to request a public hearing as

5489 provided in Subsection (2)(a)(ii)(B).

5490 (c) A notice under Subsection (2)(a)(i) may be combined with the notice that is

5491 required for a public hearing under Subsection (2)(a)(ii)(A).

5492 Section 102. Section **17B-1-417** is amended to read:

5493 **17B-1-417. Boundary adjustment -- Notice and hearing -- Protest -- Resolution**

5494 **adjusting boundaries -- Filing of notice and plat with the lieutenant governor --**

5495 **Recording requirements -- Effective date.**

5496 (1) As used in this section, "affected area" means the area located within the

5497 boundaries of one local district that will be removed from that local district and included within

5498 the boundaries of another local district because of a boundary adjustment under this section.

5499 (2) The boards of trustees of two or more local districts having a common boundary

5500 and providing the same service on the same wholesale or retail basis may adjust their common

5501 boundary as provided in this section.

5502 (3) (a) The board of trustees of each local district intending to adjust a boundary that is

5503 common with another local district shall:

5504 (i) adopt a resolution indicating the board's intent to adjust a common boundary;

5505 (ii) hold a public hearing on the proposed boundary adjustment no less than 60 days

5506 after the adoption of the resolution under Subsection (3)(a)(i); and

5507 (iii) provide notice for the affected area, as a class B notice under Section [63G-28-102](#),

5508 for at least two weeks before the day of the public hearing.

5509 ~~[(A) post notice:]~~

5510 ~~[(F) in at least four conspicuous places within the local district at least two weeks~~  
5511 ~~before the public hearing; and]~~

5512 ~~[(H) on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section ~~63A-16-601~~, for two weeks;~~  
5513 ~~or]~~

5514 ~~[(B) mail a notice to each owner of property located within the affected area and to~~  
5515 ~~each registered voter residing within the affected area.]~~

5516 (b) The notice required under Subsection (3)(a)(iii) shall:

5517 (i) state that the board of trustees of the local district has adopted a resolution  
5518 indicating the board's intent to adjust a boundary that the local district has in common with  
5519 another local district that provides the same service as the local district;

5520 (ii) describe the affected area;

5521 (iii) state the date, time, and location of the public hearing required under Subsection  
5522 (3)(a)(ii);

5523 (iv) provide a local district telephone number where additional information about the  
5524 proposed boundary adjustment may be obtained;

5525 (v) explain the financial and service impacts of the boundary adjustment on property  
5526 owners or residents within the affected area; and

5527 (vi) state in conspicuous and plain terms that the board of trustees may approve the  
5528 adjustment of the boundaries unless, at or before the public hearing under Subsection (3)(a)(ii),  
5529 written protests to the adjustment are filed with the board by:

5530 (A) the owners of private real property that:

5531 (I) is located within the affected area;

5532 (II) covers at least 50% of the total private land area within the affected area; and

5533 (III) is equal in assessed value to at least 50% of the assessed value of all private real  
5534 property within the affected area; or

5535 (B) registered voters residing within the affected area equal in number to at least 50%  
5536 of the votes cast in the affected area for the office of governor at the last regular general  
5537 election before the filing of the protests.

5538 (c) The boards of trustees of the local districts whose boundaries are being adjusted  
5539 may jointly:

5540 (i) ~~[post or mail]~~ provide the notice required under Subsection (3)(a)(iii); and

5541 (ii) hold the public hearing required under Subsection (3)(a)(ii).

5542 (4) After the public hearing required under Subsection (3)(a)(ii), the board of trustees  
5543 may adopt a resolution approving the adjustment of the common boundary unless, at or before  
5544 the public hearing, written protests to the boundary adjustment have been filed with the board  
5545 by:

5546 (a) the owners of private real property that:

5547 (i) is located within the affected area;

5548 (ii) covers at least 50% of the total private land area within the affected area; and

5549 (iii) is equal in assessed value to at least 50% of the assessed value of all private real  
5550 property within the affected area; or

5551 (b) registered voters residing within the affected area equal in number to at least 50%  
5552 of the votes cast in the affected area for the office of governor at the last regular general  
5553 election before the filing of the protests.

5554 (5) A resolution adopted under Subsection (4) does not take effect until the board of  
5555 each local district whose boundaries are being adjusted has adopted a resolution under  
5556 Subsection (4).

5557 (6) The board of the local district whose boundaries are being adjusted to include the  
5558 affected area shall:

5559 (a) within 30 days after the resolutions take effect under Subsection (5), file with the  
5560 lieutenant governor:

5561 (i) a copy of a notice of an impending boundary action, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5,  
5562 that meets the requirements of Subsection 67-1a-6.5(3); and

5563 (ii) a copy of an approved final local entity plat, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5; and

5564 (b) upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of boundary adjustment  
5565 under Section 67-1a-6.5:

5566 (i) if the affected area is located within the boundary of a single county, submit to the  
5567 recorder of that county:

5568 (A) the original:

5569 (I) notice of an impending boundary action;

5570 (II) certificate of boundary adjustment; and

5571 (III) approved final local entity plat; and

5572 (B) a certified copy of each resolution adopted under Subsection (4); or  
 5573 (ii) if the affected area is located within the boundaries of more than a single county:  
 5574 (A) submit to the recorder of one of those counties:  
 5575 (I) the original of the documents listed in Subsections (6)(b)(i)(A)(I), (II), and (III); and  
 5576 (II) a certified copy of each resolution adopted under Subsection (4); and  
 5577 (B) submit to the recorder of each other county:  
 5578 (I) a certified copy of the documents listed in Subsections (6)(b)(i)(A)(I), (II), and (III);

5579 and

5580 (II) a certified copy of each resolution adopted under Subsection (4).  
 5581 (7) (a) Upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of boundary adjustment  
 5582 under Section 67-1a-6.5, the affected area is annexed to the local district whose boundaries are  
 5583 being adjusted to include the affected area, and the affected area is withdrawn from the local  
 5584 district whose boundaries are being adjusted to exclude the affected area.

5585 (b) (i) The effective date of a boundary adjustment under this section for purposes of  
 5586 assessing property within the affected area is governed by Section 59-2-305.5.

5587 (ii) Until the documents listed in Subsection (6)(b) are recorded in the office of the  
 5588 recorder of the county in which the property is located, a local district in whose boundary an  
 5589 affected area is included because of a boundary adjustment under this section may not:

- 5590 (A) levy or collect a property tax on property within the affected area;
- 5591 (B) levy or collect an assessment on property within the affected area; or
- 5592 (C) charge or collect a fee for service provided to property within the affected area.

5593 (iii) Subsection (7)(b)(ii)(C):

5594 (A) may not be construed to limit a local district's ability before a boundary adjustment  
 5595 to charge and collect a fee for service provided to property that is outside the local district's  
 5596 boundary; and

5597 (B) does not apply until 60 days after the effective date, under Subsection (7)(a), of the  
 5598 local district's boundary adjustment, with respect to a fee that the local district was charging for  
 5599 service provided to property within the area affected by the boundary adjustment immediately  
 5600 before the boundary adjustment.

5601 Section 103. Section 17B-1-505.5 is amended to read:

5602 **17B-1-505.5. Feasibility study for a municipality's withdrawal from a local**

5603 **district providing fire protection, paramedic, and emergency services or law enforcement**  
5604 **service -- Notice of hearing.**

5605 (1) As used in this section:

5606 (a) "Feasibility consultant" means a person with expertise in:

5607 (i) the processes and economics of local government; and

5608 (ii) the economics of providing fire protection, paramedic, and emergency services or  
5609 law enforcement service.

5610 (b) "Feasibility study" means a study to determine the functional and financial  
5611 feasibility of a municipality's withdrawal from a first responder local district.

5612 (c) "First responder district" means a local district, other than a municipal services  
5613 district, that provides:

5614 (i) fire protection, paramedic, and emergency services; or

5615 (ii) law enforcement service.

5616 (d) "Withdrawing municipality" means a municipality whose legislative body has  
5617 adopted a resolution under Subsection [17B-1-505\(3\)\(a\)](#) to initiate the process of the  
5618 municipality's withdrawal from a first responder district.

5619 (2) This section applies and a feasibility study shall be conducted, as provided in this  
5620 section, if:

5621 (a) the legislative body of a municipality has adopted a resolution under Subsection  
5622 [17B-1-505\(3\)\(a\)](#) to initiate the process of the municipality's withdrawal from a first responder  
5623 district;

5624 (b) the municipality and first responder district have not agreed in writing to the  
5625 withdrawal; and

5626 (c) a feasibility study is a condition under Subsection [17B-1-505\(6\)\(a\)](#) for an election  
5627 to be held approving the withdrawal.

5628 (3) (a) As provided in this Subsection (3), the withdrawing municipality and first  
5629 responder district shall choose and engage a feasibility consultant to conduct a feasibility study.

5630 (b) The withdrawing municipality and first responder district shall jointly choose and  
5631 engage a feasibility consultant according to applicable municipal or local district procurement  
5632 procedures.

5633 (c) (i) If the withdrawing municipality and first responder district cannot agree on and

5634 have not engaged a feasibility consultant under Subsection (3)(b) within 45 days after the  
5635 legislative body of the withdrawing municipality submits written notice to the first responder  
5636 district under Subsection 17B-1-505(3)(c), the withdrawing municipality and first responder  
5637 district shall, as provided in this Subsection (3)(c), choose a feasibility consultant from a list of  
5638 at least eight feasibility consultants provided by the Utah Association of Certified Public  
5639 Accountants.

5640 (ii) A list of feasibility consultants under Subsection (3)(c)(i) may not include a  
5641 feasibility consultant that has had a contract to provide services to the withdrawing  
5642 municipality or first responder district at any time during the two-year period immediately  
5643 preceding the date the list is provided under Subsection (3)(c)(i).

5644 (iii) (A) Beginning with the first responder district, the first responder district and  
5645 withdrawing municipality shall alternately eliminate one feasibility consultant each from the  
5646 list of feasibility consultants until one feasibility consultant remains.

5647 (B) Within five days after receiving the list of consultants from the Utah Association of  
5648 Certified Public Accountants, the first responder district shall make the first elimination of a  
5649 feasibility consultant from the list and notify the withdrawing municipality in writing of the  
5650 elimination.

5651 (C) After the first elimination of a feasibility consultant from the list, the withdrawing  
5652 municipality and first responder district shall each, within three days after receiving the written  
5653 notification of the preceding elimination, notify the other in writing of the elimination of a  
5654 feasibility consultant from the list.

5655 (d) If a withdrawing municipality and first responder district do not engage a feasibility  
5656 consultant under Subsection (3)(b), the withdrawing municipality and first responder district  
5657 shall engage the feasibility consultant that has not been eliminated from the list at the  
5658 completion of the process described in Subsection (3)(c).

5659 (4) A feasibility consultant that conducts a feasibility study under this section shall be  
5660 independent of and unaffiliated with the withdrawing municipality and first responder district.

5661 (5) In conducting a feasibility study under this section, the feasibility consultant shall  
5662 consider:

5663 (a) population and population density within the withdrawing municipality;

5664 (b) current and five-year projections of demographics and economic base in the

5665 withdrawing municipality, including household size and income, commercial and industrial  
5666 development, and public facilities;

5667 (c) projected growth in the withdrawing municipality during the next five years;

5668 (d) subject to Subsection (6)(a), the present and five-year projections of the cost,  
5669 including overhead, of providing the same service in the withdrawing municipality as is  
5670 provided by the first responder district, including:

5671 (i) the estimated cost if the first responder district continues to provide service; and  
5672 (ii) the estimated cost if the withdrawing municipality provides service;

5673 (e) subject to Subsection (6)(a), the present and five-year projections of the cost,  
5674 including overhead, of the first responder district providing service with:

5675 (i) the municipality included in the first responder district's service area; and  
5676 (ii) the withdrawing municipality excluded from the first responder district's service  
5677 area;

5678 (f) a projection of any new taxes per household that may be levied within the  
5679 withdrawing municipality within five years after the withdrawal;

5680 (g) the fiscal impact that the withdrawing municipality's withdrawal has on other  
5681 municipalities and unincorporated areas served by the first responder district, including any rate  
5682 increase that may become necessary to maintain required coverage ratios for the first responder  
5683 district's debt;

5684 (h) the physical and other assets that will be required by the withdrawing municipality  
5685 to provide, without interruption or diminution of service, the same service that is being  
5686 provided by the first responder district;

5687 (i) the physical and other assets that will no longer be required by the first responder  
5688 district to continue to provide the current level of service to the remainder of the first responder  
5689 district, excluding the withdrawing municipality, and could be transferred to the withdrawing  
5690 municipality;

5691 (j) subject to Subsection (6)(b), a fair and equitable allocation of the first responder  
5692 district's assets between the first responder district and the withdrawing municipality, effective  
5693 upon the withdrawal of the withdrawing municipality from the first responder district;

5694 (k) a fair and equitable allocation of the debts, liabilities, and obligations of the first  
5695 responder district and any local building authority of the first responder district, between the

5696 withdrawing municipality and the remaining first responder district, taking into consideration:

5697 (i) any requirement to maintain the excludability of interest from the income of the  
5698 holder of the debt, liability, or obligation for federal income tax purposes; and

5699 (ii) any first responder district assets that have been purchased with the proceeds of  
5700 bonds issued by the first responder district that the first responder district will retain and any of  
5701 those assets that will be transferred to the withdrawing municipality;

5702 (l) the number and classification of first responder district employees who will no  
5703 longer be required to serve the remaining portions of the first responder district after the  
5704 withdrawing municipality withdraws from the first responder district, including the dollar  
5705 amount of the wages, salaries, and benefits attributable to the employees and the estimated cost  
5706 associated with termination of the employees if the withdrawing municipality does not employ  
5707 the employees;

5708 (m) maintaining as a base, for a period of three years after withdrawal, the existing  
5709 schedule of pay and benefits for first responder district employees who are transferred to the  
5710 employment of the withdrawing municipality; and

5711 (n) any other factor that the feasibility consultant considers relevant to the question of  
5712 the withdrawing municipality's withdrawal from the first responder district.

5713 (6) (a) For purposes of Subsections (5)(d) and (e):

5714 (i) the feasibility consultant shall assume a level and quality of service to be provided  
5715 in the future to the withdrawing municipality that fairly and reasonably approximates the level  
5716 and quality of service that the first responder district provides to the withdrawing municipality  
5717 at the time of the feasibility study;

5718 (ii) in determining the present value cost of a service that the first responder district  
5719 provides, the feasibility consultant shall consider:

5720 (A) the cost to the withdrawing municipality of providing the service for the first five  
5721 years after the withdrawal; and

5722 (B) the first responder district's present and five-year projected cost of providing the  
5723 same service within the withdrawing municipality; and

5724 (iii) the feasibility consultant shall consider inflation and anticipated growth in  
5725 calculating the cost of providing service.

5726 (b) The feasibility consultant may not consider an allocation of first responder district

5727 assets or a transfer of first responder district employees to the extent that the allocation or  
5728 transfer would impair the first responder district's ability to continue to provide the current  
5729 level of service to the remainder of the first responder district without the withdrawing  
5730 municipality, unless the first responder district consents to the allocation or transfer.

5731 (7) A feasibility consultant may retain an architect, engineer, or other professional, as  
5732 the feasibility consultant considers prudent and as provided in the agreement with the  
5733 withdrawing municipality and first responder district, to assist the feasibility consultant to  
5734 conduct a feasibility study.

5735 (8) The withdrawing municipality and first responder district shall require the  
5736 feasibility consultant to:

5737 (a) complete the feasibility study within a time established by the withdrawing  
5738 municipality and first responder district;

5739 (b) prepare and submit a written report communicating the results of the feasibility  
5740 study, including a one-page summary of the results; and

5741 (c) attend all public hearings relating to the feasibility study under Subsection (14).

5742 (9) A written report of the results of a feasibility study under this section shall:

5743 (a) contain a recommendation concerning whether a withdrawing municipality's  
5744 withdrawal from a first responder district is functionally and financially feasible for both the  
5745 first responder district and the withdrawing municipality; and

5746 (b) include any conditions the feasibility consultant determines need to be satisfied in  
5747 order to make the withdrawal functionally and financially feasible, including:

5748 (i) first responder district assets and liabilities to be allocated to the withdrawing  
5749 municipality; and

5750 (ii) (A) first responder district employees to become employees of the withdrawing  
5751 municipality; and

5752 (B) sick leave, vacation, and other accrued benefits and obligations relating to the first  
5753 responder district employees that the withdrawing municipality needs to assume.

5754 (10) The withdrawing municipality and first responder district shall equally share the  
5755 feasibility consultant's fees and costs, as specified in the agreement between the withdrawing  
5756 municipality and first responder district and the feasibility consultant.

5757 (11) (a) Upon completion of the feasibility study and preparation of a written report,

5758 the feasibility consultant shall deliver a copy of the report to the withdrawing municipality and  
5759 first responder district.

5760 (b) (i) A withdrawing municipality or first responder district that disagrees with any  
5761 aspect of a feasibility study report may, within 20 business days after receiving a copy of the  
5762 report under Subsection (11)(a), submit to the feasibility consultant a written objection  
5763 detailing the disagreement.

5764 (ii) (A) A withdrawing municipality that submits a written objection under Subsection  
5765 (11)(b)(i) shall simultaneously deliver a copy of the objection to the first responder district.

5766 (B) A first responder district that submits a written objection under Subsection  
5767 (11)(b)(i) shall simultaneously deliver a copy of the objection to the withdrawing municipality.

5768 (iii) A withdrawing municipality or first responder district may, within 10 business  
5769 days after receiving an objection under Subsection (11)(b)(ii), submit to the feasibility  
5770 consultant a written response to the objection.

5771 (iv) (A) A withdrawing municipality that submits a response under Subsection  
5772 (11)(b)(iii) shall simultaneously deliver a copy of the response to the first responder district.

5773 (B) A first responder district that submits a response under Subsection (11)(b)(iii) shall  
5774 simultaneously deliver a copy of the response to the withdrawing municipality.

5775 (v) If an objection is filed under Subsection (11)(b)(i), the feasibility consultant shall,  
5776 within 20 business days after the expiration of the deadline under Subsection (11)(b)(iii) for  
5777 submitting a response to an objection:

5778 (A) modify the feasibility study report or explain in writing why the feasibility  
5779 consultant is not modifying the feasibility study report; and

5780 (B) deliver the modified feasibility study report or written explanation to the  
5781 withdrawing municipality and first responder local district.

5782 (12) Within seven days after the expiration of the deadline under Subsection (11)(b)(i)  
5783 for submitting an objection or, if an objection is submitted, within seven days after receiving a  
5784 modified feasibility study report or written explanation under Subsection (11)(b)(v), but at least  
5785 30 days before a public hearing under Subsection (14), the withdrawing municipality shall:

5786 (a) make a copy of the report available to the public at the primary office of the  
5787 withdrawing municipality; and

5788 (b) if the withdrawing municipality has a website, post a copy of the report on the

5789 municipality's website.

5790 (13) A feasibility study report or, if a feasibility study report is modified under  
5791 Subsection (11), a modified feasibility study report may not be challenged unless the basis of  
5792 the challenge is that the report results from collusion or fraud.

5793 (14) (a) Following the expiration of the deadline under Subsection (11)(b)(i) for  
5794 submitting an objection, or, if an objection is submitted under Subsection (11)(b)(i), following  
5795 the withdrawing municipality's receipt of the modified feasibility study report or written  
5796 explanation under Subsection (11)(b)(v), the legislative body of the withdrawing municipality  
5797 shall, at the legislative body's next regular meeting, schedule at least one public hearing to be  
5798 held:

5799 (i) within the following 60 days; and

5800 (ii) for the purpose of allowing:

5801 (A) the feasibility consultant to present the results of the feasibility study; and

5802 (B) the public to become informed about the feasibility study results, to ask the  
5803 feasibility consultant questions about the feasibility study, and to express the public's views  
5804 about the proposed withdrawal.

5805 (b) At a public hearing under Subsection (14)(a), the legislative body of the  
5806 withdrawing municipality shall:

5807 (i) provide a copy of the feasibility study for public review; and

5808 (ii) allow the public to:

5809 (A) ask the feasibility consultant questions about the feasibility study; and

5810 (B) express the public's views about the withdrawing municipality's proposed  
5811 withdrawal from the first responder district.

5812 (15) (a) The clerk or recorder of the withdrawing municipality shall publish notice of a  
5813 hearing under Subsection (14) [~~on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section~~  
5814 [63A-16-601](#)];] for the withdrawing municipality, as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#),  
5815 for three consecutive weeks immediately before the public hearing.

5816 (b) A notice under Subsection (15)(a) shall state:

5817 (i) the date, time, and location of the public hearing; and

5818 (ii) that a copy of the feasibility study report may be obtained, free of charge, at the  
5819 office of the withdrawing municipality or on the withdrawing municipality's website.

5820 (16) Unless the withdrawing municipality and first responder district agree otherwise,  
5821 conditions that a feasibility study report indicates are necessary to be met for a withdrawal to  
5822 be functionally and financially feasible for the withdrawing municipality and first responder  
5823 district are binding on the withdrawing municipality and first responder district if the  
5824 withdrawal occurs.

5825 Section 104. Section **17B-1-608** is amended to read:

5826 **17B-1-608. Tentative budget and data -- Public records -- Notice.**

5827 (1) The tentative budget adopted by the board of trustees and all supporting schedules  
5828 and data are public records.

5829 (2) At least seven days before adopting a final budget in a public meeting, the local  
5830 district shall:

5831 (a) make the tentative budget available for public inspection at the local district's  
5832 principal place of business during regular business hours;

5833 (b) ~~[if the local district has a website,] publish the tentative budget [on the local~~  
5834 ~~district's website; and], as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least seven days.~~

5835 ~~[(c) in accordance with Section [63A-16-601](#), do one of the following:]~~

5836 ~~[(i) publish the tentative budget on the Utah Public Notice Website; or]~~

5837 ~~[(ii) publish on the Utah Public Notice Website a link to a website on which the~~  
5838 ~~tentative budget is published.]~~

5839 Section 105. Section **17B-1-609** is amended to read:

5840 **17B-1-609. Hearing to consider adoption -- Notice.**

5841 (1) At the meeting at which the tentative budget is adopted, the board of trustees shall:

5842 (a) establish the time and place of a public hearing to consider its adoption; and

5843 (b) except as provided in Subsection (6), order that notice of the hearing[:] be  
5844 published for the district, as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least seven days  
5845 before the day of the hearing.

5846 ~~[(i) be posted in three public places within the district; and]~~

5847 ~~[(ii) be published at least seven days before the hearing on the Utah Public Notice~~  
5848 ~~Website created in Section [63A-16-601](#).]~~

5849 (2) If the budget hearing is held in conjunction with a tax increase hearing, the notice  
5850 required in Subsection (1)(b):

- 5851 (a) may be combined with the notice required under Section 59-2-919; and  
5852 (b) shall be published in accordance with the advertisement provisions of Section  
5853 59-2-919.
- 5854 (3) If the budget hearing is to be held in conjunction with a fee increase hearing, the  
5855 notice required in Subsection (1)(b):
- 5856 (a) may be combined with the notice required under Section 17B-1-643; and  
5857 (b) shall be published or mailed in accordance with the notice provisions of Section  
5858 17B-1-643.
- 5859 (4) Proof that notice was given in accordance with Subsection (1)(b), (2), (3), or (6) is  
5860 prima facie evidence that notice was properly given.
- 5861 (5) If a notice required under Subsection (1)(b), (2), (3), or (6) is not challenged within  
5862 30 days after the day on which the hearing is held, the notice is adequate and proper.
- 5863 (6) A board of trustees of a local district with an annual operating budget of less than  
5864 \$250,000 may satisfy the notice requirements in Subsection (1)(b) by:
- 5865 (a) mailing a written notice, postage prepaid, to each voter in the local district; and  
5866 (b) posting the notice in three public places within the district.
- 5867 Section 106. Section 17B-1-643 is amended to read:
- 5868 **17B-1-643. Imposing or increasing a fee for service provided by local district.**
- 5869 (1) (a) Before imposing a new fee or increasing an existing fee for a service provided  
5870 by a local district, each local district board of trustees shall first hold a public hearing at which:  
5871 (i) the local district shall demonstrate its need to impose or increase the fee; and  
5872 (ii) any interested person may speak for or against the proposal to impose a fee or to  
5873 increase an existing fee.
- 5874 (b) Each public hearing under Subsection (1)(a) shall be held in the evening beginning  
5875 no earlier than 6 p.m.
- 5876 (c) A public hearing required under this Subsection (1) may be combined with a public  
5877 hearing on a tentative budget required under Section 17B-1-610.
- 5878 (d) Except to the extent that this section imposes more stringent notice requirements,  
5879 the local district board shall comply with Title 52, Chapter 4, Open and Public Meetings Act,  
5880 in holding the public hearing under Subsection (1)(a).
- 5881 (2) (a) Each local district board shall give notice of a hearing under Subsection (1) as

5882 provided in Subsections (2)(b) and (c) or Subsection (2)(d).

5883 (b) The local district board shall~~[:]~~ publish the notice described in Subsection (2)(a) for  
5884 the local district, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at least 30 days.

5885 ~~[(i) post the notice required under Subsection (2)(a) on the Utah Public Notice~~  
5886 ~~Website, created in Section 63A-16-601; and]~~

5887 ~~[(ii) post at least one of the notices required under Subsection (2)(a) per 1,000~~  
5888 ~~population within the local district, at places within the local district that are most likely to~~  
5889 ~~provide actual notice to residents within the local district, subject to a maximum of 10 notices.]~~

5890 (c) The notice described in Subsection (2)(b) shall state that the local district board  
5891 intends to impose or increase a fee for a service provided by the local district and will hold a  
5892 public hearing on a certain day, time, and place fixed in the notice, which shall be not less than  
5893 seven days after the day the first notice is published, for the purpose of hearing comments  
5894 regarding the proposed imposition or increase of a fee and to explain the reasons for the  
5895 proposed imposition or increase.

5896 (d) (i) In lieu of providing notice under Subsection (2)(b), the local district board of  
5897 trustees may give the notice required under Subsection (2)(a) by mailing the notice to those  
5898 within the district who:

5899 (A) will be charged the fee for a district service, if the fee is being imposed for the first  
5900 time; or

5901 (B) are being charged a fee, if the fee is proposed to be increased.

5902 (ii) Each notice under Subsection (2)(d)(i) shall comply with Subsection (2)(c).

5903 (iii) A notice under Subsection (2)(d)(i) may accompany a district bill for an existing  
5904 fee.

5905 (e) If the hearing required under this section is combined with the public hearing  
5906 required under Section 17B-1-610, the notice required under this Subsection (2):

5907 (i) may be combined with the notice required under Section 17B-1-609; and

5908 (ii) shall be posted or mailed in accordance with the notice provisions of this section.

5909 (f) Proof that notice was given as provided in Subsection (2)(b) or (d) is prima facie  
5910 evidence that notice was properly given.

5911 (g) If no challenge is made to the notice given of a hearing required by Subsection (1)  
5912 within 30 days after the date of the hearing, the notice is considered adequate and proper.

5913 ~~[(3)]~~ (h) After holding a public hearing under Subsection (1), a local district board  
5914 may:

5915 ~~[(a)]~~ (i) impose the new fee or increase the existing fee as proposed;

5916 ~~[(b)]~~ (ii) adjust the amount of the proposed new fee or the increase of the existing fee  
5917 and then impose the new fee or increase the existing fee as adjusted; or

5918 ~~[(c)]~~ (iii) decline to impose the new fee or increase the existing fee.

5919 ~~[(4)]~~ (i) This section applies to each new fee imposed and each increase of an existing  
5920 fee that occurs on or after July 1, 1998.

5921 ~~[(5)]~~ (j) ~~[(a)]~~ (i) This section does not apply to an impact fee.

5922 ~~[(b)]~~ (ii) The imposition or increase of an impact fee is governed by Title 11, Chapter  
5923 36a, Impact Fees Act.

5924 Section 107. Section **17B-1-1204** is amended to read:

5925 **17B-1-1204. Notice of the hearing on a validation petition -- Amended or**  
5926 **supplemented validation petition.**

5927 (1) Upon the entry of an order under Section **17B-1-1203** setting a hearing on a  
5928 validation petition, the local district that filed the petition shall ~~[post notice:]~~ publish notice, as  
5929 a class A notice under Section **63G-28-102**, for at least 21 days before the date of the hearing.

5930 ~~[(a) on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section **63A-16-601**, for three weeks~~  
5931 ~~immediately before the hearing; and]~~

5932 ~~[(b) in the local district's principal office at least 21 days before the date set for the~~  
5933 ~~hearing.]~~

5934 (2) Each notice under Subsection (1) shall:

5935 (a) state the date, time, and place of the hearing on the validation petition;

5936 (b) include a general description of the contents of the validation petition; and

5937 (c) if applicable, state the location where a complete copy of a contract that is the  
5938 subject of the validation petition may be examined.

5939 (3) If a district amends or supplements a validation petition under Subsection  
5940 **17B-1-1202**(3) after publishing and posting notice as required under Subsection (1), the district  
5941 is not required to publish or post notice again unless required by the court.

5942 Section 108. Section **17B-1-1307** is amended to read:

5943 **17B-1-1307. Notice of public hearing and of dissolution.**

5944 (1) Before holding a public hearing required under Section [17B-1-1306](#), the  
 5945 administrative body shall ~~[(a) post]~~ publish notice of the public hearing and of the proposed  
 5946 dissolution~~[:]~~ for the local district proposed to be dissolved, as a class B notice under Section  
 5947 [63G-28-102](#), for 30 days before the day of the public hearing.

5948 ~~[(i) on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section [63A-16-601](#), for 30 days~~  
 5949 ~~before the public hearing; and]~~

5950 ~~[(ii) in at least four conspicuous places within the local district proposed to be~~  
 5951 ~~dissolved, no less than five and no more than 30 days before the public hearing; or]~~

5952 ~~[(b) mail a notice to each owner of property located within the local district and to each~~  
 5953 ~~registered voter residing within the local district.]~~

5954 (2) Each notice required under Subsection (1) shall:

5955 (a) identify the local district proposed to be dissolved and the service it was created to  
 5956 provide; and

5957 (b) state the date, time, and location of the public hearing.

5958 Section 109. Section **17B-2a-705** is amended to read:

5959 **17B-2a-705. Taxation -- Additional levy -- Election -- Notice.**

5960 (1) If a mosquito abatement district board of trustees determines that the funds required  
 5961 during the next ensuing fiscal year will exceed the maximum amount that the district is  
 5962 authorized to levy under Subsection [17B-1-103\(2\)\(g\)](#), the board of trustees may call an election  
 5963 on a date specified in Section [20A-1-204](#) and submit to district voters the question of whether  
 5964 the district should be authorized to impose an additional tax to raise the necessary additional  
 5965 funds.

5966 (2) The board shall provide notice of the election~~[:]~~ for the district, as a class A notice  
 5967 under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least four weeks before the day of the election.

5968 ~~[(a) (i) by posting one notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population of~~  
 5969 ~~the district, in places within the district that are most likely to give notice to the voters in the~~  
 5970 ~~district, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or]~~

5971 ~~[(ii) at least four weeks before the day of the election, by mailing notice to each~~  
 5972 ~~registered voter in the district;]~~

5973 ~~[(b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section~~  
 5974 ~~[63A-16-601](#), for four weeks before the day of the election; and]~~

5975 ~~[(c) if the district has a website, by posting notice on the district's website for four~~  
5976 ~~weeks before the day of the election.]~~

5977 (3) No particular form of ballot is required, and no informalities in conducting the  
5978 election may invalidate the election, if it is otherwise fairly conducted.

5979 (4) At the election each ballot shall contain the words, "Shall the district be authorized  
5980 to impose an additional tax to raise the additional sum of \$ \_\_\_\_?"

5981 (5) The board of trustees shall canvass the votes cast at the election, and, if a majority  
5982 of the votes cast are in favor of the imposition of the tax, the district is authorized to impose an  
5983 additional levy to raise the additional amount of money required.

5984 Section 110. Section **17B-2a-1007** is amended to read:

5985 **17B-2a-1007. Contract assessments -- Notice.**

5986 (1) As used in this section:

5987 (a) "Assessed land" means:

5988 (i) for a contract assessment under a water contract with a private water user, the land  
5989 owned by the private water user that receives the beneficial use of water under the water  
5990 contract; or

5991 (ii) for a contract assessment under a water contract with a public water user, the land  
5992 within the boundaries of the public water user that is within the boundaries of the water  
5993 conservancy district and that receives the beneficial use of water under the water contract.

5994 (b) "Contract assessment" means an assessment levied as provided in this section by a  
5995 water conservancy district on assessed land.

5996 (c) "Governing body" means:

5997 (i) for a county, city, or town, the legislative body of the county, city, or town;

5998 (ii) for a local district, the board of trustees of the local district;

5999 (iii) for a special service district:

6000 (A) the legislative body of the county, city, or town that established the special service  
6001 district, if no administrative control board has been appointed under Section **17D-1-301**; or

6002 (B) the administrative control board of the special service district, if an administrative  
6003 control board has been appointed under Section **17D-1-301**; and

6004 (iv) for any other political subdivision of the state, the person or body with authority to  
6005 govern the affairs of the political subdivision.

6006 (d) "Petitioner" means a private petitioner or a public petitioner.

6007 (e) "Private petitioner" means an owner of land within a water conservancy district  
6008 who submits a petition to a water conservancy district under Subsection (3) to enter into a  
6009 water contract with the district.

6010 (f) "Private water user" means an owner of land within a water conservancy district  
6011 who enters into a water contract with the district.

6012 (g) "Public petitioner" means a political subdivision of the state:

6013 (i) whose territory is partly or entirely within the boundaries of a water conservancy  
6014 district; and

6015 (ii) that submits a petition to a water conservancy district under Subsection (3) to enter  
6016 into a water contract with the district.

6017 (h) "Public water user" means a political subdivision of the state:

6018 (i) whose territory is partly or entirely within the boundaries of a water conservancy  
6019 district; and

6020 (ii) that enters into a water contract with the district.

6021 (i) "Water contract" means a contract between a water conservancy district and a  
6022 private water user or a public water user under which the water user purchases, leases, or  
6023 otherwise acquires the beneficial use of water from the water conservancy district for the  
6024 benefit of:

6025 (i) land owned by the private water user; or

6026 (ii) land within the public water user's boundaries that is also within the boundaries of  
6027 the water conservancy district.

6028 (j) "Water user" means a private water user or a public water user.

6029 (2) A water conservancy district may levy a contract assessment as provided in this  
6030 section.

6031 (3) (a) The governing body of a public petitioner may authorize its chief executive  
6032 officer to submit a written petition on behalf of the public petitioner to a water conservancy  
6033 district requesting to enter into a water contract.

6034 (b) A private petitioner may submit a written petition to a water conservancy district  
6035 requesting to enter into a water contract.

6036 (c) Each petition under this Subsection (3) shall include:

- 6037 (i) the petitioner's name;
- 6038 (ii) the quantity of water the petitioner desires to purchase or otherwise acquire;
- 6039 (iii) a description of the land upon which the water will be used;
- 6040 (iv) the price to be paid for the water;
- 6041 (v) the amount of any service, turnout, connection, distribution system, or other charge
- 6042 to be paid;
- 6043 (vi) whether payment will be made in cash or annual installments;
- 6044 (vii) a provision requiring the contract assessment to become a lien on the land for
- 6045 which the water is petitioned and is to be allotted; and
- 6046 (viii) an agreement that the petitioner is bound by the provisions of this part and the
- 6047 rules and regulations of the water conservancy district board of trustees.
- 6048 (4) (a) If the board of a water conservancy district desires to consider a petition
- 6049 submitted by a petitioner under Subsection (3), the board shall:
- 6050 (i) ~~[post]~~ provide notice of the petition and of the hearing required under Subsection
- 6051 (4)(a)(ii) ~~[on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section 63A-16-601,]~~ for the water
- 6052 conservancy district, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at least two successive
- 6053 weeks immediately before the date of the hearing; and
- 6054 (ii) hold a public hearing on the petition.
- 6055 (b) Each notice under Subsection (4)(a)(i) shall:
- 6056 (i) state that a petition has been filed and that the district is considering levying a
- 6057 contract assessment; and
- 6058 (ii) give the date, time, and place of the hearing required under Subsection (4)(a)(ii).
- 6059 (c) (i) At each hearing required under Subsection (4)(a)(ii), the board of trustees of the
- 6060 water conservancy district shall:
- 6061 (A) allow any interested person to appear and explain why the petition should not be
- 6062 granted; and
- 6063 (B) consider each written objection to the granting of the petition that the board
- 6064 receives before or at the hearing.
- 6065 (ii) The board of trustees may adjourn and reconvene the hearing as the board
- 6066 considers appropriate.
- 6067 (d) (i) Any interested person may file with the board of the water conservancy district,

6068 at or before the hearing under Subsection (4)(a)(ii), a written objection to the district's granting  
6069 a petition.

6070 (ii) Each person who fails to submit a written objection within the time provided under  
6071 Subsection (4)(d)(i) is considered to have consented to the district's granting the petition and  
6072 levying a contract assessment.

6073 (5) After holding a public hearing as required under Subsection (4)(a)(ii), the board of  
6074 trustees of a water conservancy district may:

6075 (a) deny the petition; or

6076 (b) grant the petition, if the board considers granting the petition to be in the best  
6077 interests of the district.

6078 (6) The board of a water conservancy district that grants a petition under this section  
6079 may:

6080 (a) make an allotment of water for the benefit of assessed land;

6081 (b) authorize any necessary construction to provide for the use of water upon the terms  
6082 and conditions stated in the water contract;

6083 (c) divide the district into units and fix a different rate for water purchased or otherwise  
6084 acquired and for other charges within each unit, if the rates and charges are equitable, although  
6085 not equal and uniform, for similar classes of services throughout the district; and

6086 (d) levy a contract assessment on assessed land.

6087 (7) (a) The board of trustees of each water conservancy district that levies a contract  
6088 assessment under this section shall:

6089 (i) cause a certified copy of the resolution, ordinance, or order levying the assessment  
6090 to be recorded in the office of the recorder of each county in which assessed land is located;  
6091 and

6092 (ii) on or before July 1 of each year after levying the contract assessment, certify to the  
6093 auditor of each county in which assessed land is located the amount of the contract assessment.

6094 (b) Upon the recording of the resolution, ordinance, or order, in accordance with  
6095 Subsection (7)(a)(i):

6096 (i) the contract assessment associated with allotting water to the assessed land under  
6097 the water contract becomes a political subdivision lien, as that term is defined in Section  
6098 [11-60-102](#), on the assessed land, in accordance with Title 11, Chapter 60, Political Subdivision

6099 Lien Authority, as of the effective date of the resolution, ordinance, or order; and  
6100 (ii) (A) the board of trustees of the water conservancy district shall certify the amount  
6101 of the assessment to the county treasurer; and  
6102 (B) the county treasurer shall include the certified amount on the property tax notice  
6103 required by Section [59-2-1317](#) for that year.  
6104 (c) (i) Each county in which assessed land is located shall collect the contract  
6105 assessment in the same manner as taxes levied by the county.  
6106 (ii) If the amount of a contract assessment levied under this section is not paid in full in  
6107 a given year:  
6108 (A) by September 15, the governing body of the water conservancy district that levies  
6109 the contract assessment shall certify any unpaid amount to the treasurer of the county in which  
6110 the property is located; and  
6111 (B) the county treasurer shall include the certified amount on the property tax notice  
6112 required by Section [59-2-1317](#) for that year.  
6113 (8) (a) The board of trustees of each water conservancy district that levies a contract  
6114 assessment under this section shall:  
6115 (i) hold a public hearing, before August 8 of each year in which a contract assessment  
6116 is levied, to hear and consider objections filed under Subsection (8)(b); and  
6117 (ii) ~~publish~~ publish a notice:  
6118 (A) ~~[on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section [63A-16-601](#);~~ for the water  
6119 conservancy district, as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least the two  
6120 consecutive weeks before the day of the public hearing; and  
6121 (B) that contains a general description of the assessed land, the amount of the contract  
6122 assessment, and the time and place of the public hearing under Subsection (8)(a)(i).  
6123 (b) An owner of assessed land within the water conservancy district who believes that  
6124 the contract assessment on the owner's land is excessive, erroneous, or illegal may, before the  
6125 hearing under Subsection (8)(a)(i), file with the board of trustees a verified, written objection to  
6126 the assessment, stating the grounds for the objection.  
6127 (c) (i) At each hearing under Subsection (8)(a)(i), the board of trustees shall hear and  
6128 consider the evidence and arguments supporting each objection.  
6129 (ii) After hearing and considering the evidence and arguments supporting an objection,

6130 the board of trustees:

6131 (A) shall enter a written order, stating its decision; and

6132 (B) may modify the assessment.

6133 (d) (i) An owner of assessed land may file a petition in district court seeking review of  
6134 a board of trustees' order under Subsection (8)(c)(ii)(A).

6135 (ii) Each petition under Subsection (8)(d)(i) shall:

6136 (A) be filed within 30 days after the board enters its written order;

6137 (B) state specifically the part of the board's order for which review is sought; and

6138 (C) be accompanied by a bond with good and sufficient security in an amount not  
6139 exceeding \$200, as determined by the court clerk.

6140 (iii) If more than one owner of assessed land seeks review, the court may, upon a  
6141 showing that the reviews may be consolidated without injury to anyone's interests, consolidate  
6142 the reviews and hear them together.

6143 (iv) The court shall act as quickly as possible after a petition is filed.

6144 (v) A court may not disturb a board of trustees' order unless the court finds that the  
6145 contract assessment on the petitioner's assessed land is manifestly disproportionate to  
6146 assessments imposed upon other land in the district.

6147 (e) If no petition under Subsection (8)(d) is timely filed, the contract assessment is  
6148 conclusively considered to have been made in proportion to the benefits conferred on the land  
6149 in the district.

6150 (9) Each resolution, ordinance, or order under which a water conservancy district  
6151 levied a Class B, Class C, or Class D assessment before April 30, 2007, under the law in effect  
6152 at the time of the levy is validated, ratified, and confirmed, and a water conservancy district  
6153 may continue to levy the assessment according to the terms of the resolution, ordinance, or  
6154 order.

6155 (10) A contract assessment is not a levy of an ad valorem property tax and is not  
6156 subject to the limits stated in Section [17B-2a-1006](#).

6157 Section 111. Section **17B-2a-1110** is amended to read:

6158 **17B-2a-1110. Withdrawal from a municipal services district upon incorporation**  
6159 **-- Feasibility study required for city or town withdrawal -- Public hearing -- Notice --**  
6160 **Revenues transferred to municipal services district.**

6161 (1) (a) A municipality may withdraw from a municipal services district in accordance  
6162 with Section 17B-1-502 or 17B-1-505, as applicable, and the requirements of this section.

6163 (b) If a municipality engages a feasibility consultant to conduct a feasibility study  
6164 under Subsection (2)(a), the 180 days described in Subsection 17B-1-502(3)(a)(iii)(B) is tolled  
6165 from the day that the municipality engages the feasibility consultant to the day on which the  
6166 municipality holds the final public hearing under Subsection (5).

6167 (2) (a) If a municipality decides to withdraw from a municipal services district, the  
6168 municipal legislative body shall, before adopting a resolution under Section 17B-1-502 or  
6169 17B-1-505, as applicable, engage a feasibility consultant to conduct a feasibility study.

6170 (b) The feasibility consultant shall be chosen:

6171 (i) by the municipal legislative body; and

6172 (ii) in accordance with applicable municipal procurement procedures.

6173 (3) The municipal legislative body shall require the feasibility consultant to:

6174 (a) complete the feasibility study and submit the written results to the municipal  
6175 legislative body before the council adopts a resolution under Section 17B-1-502;

6176 (b) submit with the full written results of the feasibility study a summary of the results  
6177 no longer than one page in length; and

6178 (c) attend the public hearings under Subsection (5).

6179 (4) (a) The feasibility study shall consider:

6180 (i) population and population density within the withdrawing municipality;

6181 (ii) current and five-year projections of demographics and economic base in the  
6182 withdrawing municipality, including household size and income, commercial and industrial  
6183 development, and public facilities;

6184 (iii) projected growth in the withdrawing municipality during the next five years;

6185 (iv) subject to Subsection (4)(b), the present and five-year projections of the cost,  
6186 including overhead, of municipal services in the withdrawing municipality;

6187 (v) assuming the same tax categories and tax rates as currently imposed by the  
6188 municipal services district and all other current service providers, the present and five-year  
6189 projected revenue for the withdrawing municipality;

6190 (vi) a projection of any new taxes per household that may be levied within the  
6191 withdrawing municipality within five years of the withdrawal; and

6192 (vii) the fiscal impact on other municipalities serviced by the municipal services  
6193 district.

6194 (b) (i) For purposes of Subsection (4)(a)(iv), the feasibility consultant shall assume a  
6195 level and quality of municipal services to be provided to the withdrawing municipality in the  
6196 future that fairly and reasonably approximates the level and quality of municipal services being  
6197 provided to the withdrawing municipality at the time of the feasibility study.

6198 (ii) In determining the present cost of a municipal service, the feasibility consultant  
6199 shall consider:

6200 (A) the amount it would cost the withdrawing municipality to provide municipal  
6201 services for the first five years after withdrawing; and

6202 (B) the municipal services district's present and five-year projected cost of providing  
6203 municipal services.

6204 (iii) The costs calculated under Subsection (4)(a)(iv) shall take into account inflation  
6205 and anticipated growth.

6206 (5) If the results of the feasibility study meet the requirements of Subsection (4), the  
6207 municipal legislative body shall, at its next regular meeting after receipt of the results of the  
6208 feasibility study, schedule at least one public hearing to be held:

6209 (a) within the following 60 days; and

6210 (b) for the purpose of allowing:

6211 (i) the feasibility consultant to present the results of the study; and

6212 (ii) the public to become informed about the feasibility study results, including the  
6213 requirement that if the municipality withdraws from the municipal services district, the  
6214 municipality must comply with Subsection (9), and to ask questions about those results of the  
6215 feasibility consultant.

6216 (6) At a public hearing described in Subsection (5), the municipal legislative body  
6217 shall:

6218 (a) provide a copy of the feasibility study for public review; and

6219 (b) allow the public to express its views about the proposed withdrawal from the  
6220 municipal services district.

6221 (7) (a) The municipal clerk or recorder shall publish notice of the public hearings  
6222 required under Subsection (5)[:] for the municipality, as a class A notice under Section

6223 63G-28-102, for at least three weeks before the day of the first hearing described in Subsection  
6224 (5).

6225 ~~[(i) by posting the notice on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section~~  
6226 ~~63A-16-601, for three weeks, and]~~

6227 ~~[(ii) by posting at least one notice of the hearings per 1,000 population in conspicuous~~  
6228 ~~places within the municipality that are most likely to give notice of the hearings to the~~  
6229 ~~residents.]~~

6230 ~~[(b) The municipal clerk or recorder shall post the notices under Subsection (7)(a)(ii) at~~  
6231 ~~least seven days before the first hearing under Subsection (5).]~~

6232 ~~[(c)]~~ (b) The notice under Subsection (7)(a) shall include the feasibility study summary  
6233 and shall indicate that a full copy of the study is available for inspection and copying at the  
6234 office of the municipal clerk or recorder.

6235 (8) At a public meeting held after the public hearing required under Subsection (5), the  
6236 municipal legislative body may adopt a resolution under Section 17B-1-502 or 17B-1-505, as  
6237 applicable, if the municipality is in compliance with the other requirements of that section.

6238 (9) The municipality shall pay revenues in excess of 5% to the municipal services  
6239 district for 10 years beginning on the next fiscal year immediately following the municipal  
6240 legislative body adoption of a resolution or an ordinance to withdraw under Section 17B-1-502  
6241 or 17B-1-505 if the results of the feasibility study show that the average annual amount of  
6242 revenue under Subsection (4)(a)(v) exceed the average annual amount of cost under Subsection  
6243 (4)(a)(iv) by more than 5%.

6244 Section 112. Section 17C-1-207 is amended to read:

6245 **17C-1-207. Public entities may assist with project area development -- Notice**  
6246 **requirements.**

6247 (1) In order to assist and cooperate in the planning, undertaking, construction, or  
6248 operation of project area development within an area in which the public entity is authorized to  
6249 act, a public entity may:

6250 (a) (i) provide or cause to be furnished:

6251 (A) parks, playgrounds, or other recreational facilities;

6252 (B) community, educational, water, sewer, or drainage facilities; or

6253 (C) any other works which the public entity is otherwise empowered to undertake;

- 6254 (ii) provide, furnish, dedicate, close, vacate, pave, install, grade, regrade, plan, or
- 6255 replan streets, roads, roadways, alleys, sidewalks, or other places;
- 6256 (iii) in any part of the project area:
- 6257 (A) (I) plan or replan any property within the project area;
- 6258 (II) plat or replat any property within the project area;
- 6259 (III) vacate a plat;
- 6260 (IV) amend a plat; or
- 6261 (V) zone or rezone any property within the project area; and
- 6262 (B) make any legal exceptions from building regulations and ordinances;
- 6263 (iv) purchase or legally invest in any of the bonds of an agency and exercise all of the
- 6264 rights of any holder of the bonds;
- 6265 (v) notwithstanding any law to the contrary, enter into an agreement for a period of
- 6266 time with another public entity concerning action to be taken pursuant to any of the powers
- 6267 granted in this title;
- 6268 (vi) do anything necessary to aid or cooperate in the planning or implementation of the
- 6269 project area development;
- 6270 (vii) in connection with the project area plan, become obligated to the extent
- 6271 authorized and funds have been made available to make required improvements or construct
- 6272 required structures; and
- 6273 (viii) lend, grant, or contribute funds to an agency for project area development or
- 6274 proposed project area development, including assigning revenue or taxes in support of an
- 6275 agency bond or obligation; and
- 6276 (b) for less than fair market value or for no consideration, and subject to Subsection
- 6277 (3):
- 6278 (i) purchase or otherwise acquire property from an agency;
- 6279 (ii) lease property from an agency;
- 6280 (iii) sell, grant, convey, donate, or otherwise dispose of the public entity's property to
- 6281 an agency; or
- 6282 (iv) lease the public entity's property to an agency.
- 6283 (2) The following are not subject to Section [10-8-2](#), [17-50-312](#), or [17-50-303](#):
- 6284 (a) project area development assistance that a public entity provides under this section;

6285 or

6286 (b) a transfer of funds or property from an agency to a public entity.

6287 (3) A public entity may provide assistance described in Subsection (1)(b) no sooner  
6288 than 15 days after the day on which the public entity ~~[posts]~~ completes the requirements for  
6289 publishing notice of the assistance ~~[on:]~~ for the public entity's jurisdiction, as a class A notice  
6290 under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least 15 days.

6291 ~~[(a) the Utah Public Notice Website described in Section [63A-16-601](#); and]~~

6292 ~~[(b) the public entity's public website.]~~

6293 Section 113. Section **17C-1-601.5** is amended to read:

6294 **17C-1-601.5. Annual agency budget -- Fiscal year -- Public hearing required --**  
6295 **Notice -- Auditor forms -- Requirement to file form.**

6296 (1) Each agency shall prepare an annual budget of the agency's revenues and  
6297 expenditures for each fiscal year.

6298 (2) The board shall adopt each agency budget:

6299 (a) for an agency created by a municipality, before June 30; or

6300 (b) for an agency created by a county, before December 15.

6301 (3) The agency's fiscal year shall be the same as the fiscal year of the community that  
6302 created the agency.

6303 (4) (a) Before adopting an annual budget, each board shall hold a public hearing on the  
6304 annual budget.

6305 (b) Each agency shall provide notice of the public hearing on the annual budget ~~[by:]~~  
6306 for the agency's jurisdiction, as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least one  
6307 week before the day of the public hearing.

6308 ~~[(i) posting a notice of the public hearing in at least three public places within the~~  
6309 ~~agency boundaries; and]~~

6310 ~~[(ii) publishing notice on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section~~  
6311 ~~[63A-16-601](#), at least one week before the public hearing.]~~

6312 (c) Each agency shall make the annual budget available for public inspection at least  
6313 three days before the date of the public hearing.

6314 (5) The state auditor shall prescribe the budget forms and the categories to be contained  
6315 in each annual budget, including:

- 6316 (a) revenues and expenditures for the budget year;
- 6317 (b) legal fees; and
- 6318 (c) administrative costs, including rent, supplies, and other materials, and salaries of
- 6319 agency personnel.

6320 (6) (a) Within 90 days after adopting an annual budget, each board shall file a copy of

6321 the annual budget with the auditor of the county in which the agency is located, the State Tax

6322 Commission, the state auditor, the State Board of Education, and each taxing entity from which

6323 the agency receives project area funds.

6324 (b) The requirement of Subsection (6)(a) to file a copy of the annual budget with the

6325 state as a taxing entity is met if the agency files a copy with the State Tax Commission and the

6326 state auditor.

6327 Section 114. Section **17C-1-701.5** is amended to read:

6328 **17C-1-701.5. Agency dissolution -- Restrictions -- Notice -- Recording**

6329 **requirements -- Agency records -- Dissolution expenses.**

6330 (1) (a) Subject to Subsection (1)(b), the community legislative body may, by ordinance,

6331 dissolve an agency.

6332 (b) A community legislative body may adopt an ordinance described in Subsection

6333 (1)(a) only if the agency has no outstanding bonded indebtedness, other unpaid loans,

6334 indebtedness, or advances, and no legally binding contractual obligations with a person other

6335 than the community.

6336 (2) (a) The community legislative body shall:

6337 (i) within 10 days after adopting an ordinance described in Subsection (1), file with the

6338 lieutenant governor a copy of a notice of an impending boundary action, as defined in Section

6339 [67-1a-6.5](#), that meets the requirements of Subsection [67-1a-6.5\(3\)](#); and

6340 (ii) upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of dissolution under Section

6341 [67-1a-6.5](#), submit to the recorder of the county in which the agency is located:

6342 (A) the original notice of an impending boundary action;

6343 (B) the original certificate of dissolution; and

6344 (C) a certified copy of the ordinance that dissolves the agency.

6345 (b) Upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of the certificate of dissolution under

6346 Section [67-1a-6.5](#), the agency is dissolved.

6347 (c) Within 10 days after receiving the certificate of dissolution from the lieutenant  
6348 governor under Section [67-1a-6.5](#), the community legislative body shall send a copy of the  
6349 certificate of dissolution and the ordinance adopted under Subsection (1) to the State Board of  
6350 Education, and each taxing entity.

6351 (d) The community legislative body shall post a notice of dissolution [~~on the Utah~~  
6352 ~~Public Notice Website created in Section [63A-16-601](#)]~~ for the community, as a class A notice  
6353 under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least 10 days.

6354 (3) The books, documents, records, papers, and seal of each dissolved agency shall be  
6355 deposited for safekeeping and reference with the recorder of the community that dissolved the  
6356 agency.

6357 (4) The agency shall pay all expenses of the dissolution.

6358 Section 115. Section **17C-1-804** is amended to read:

6359 **17C-1-804. Notice required for continued hearing.**

6360 The board shall give notice of a hearing continued under Section [17C-1-803](#) by  
6361 announcing at the hearing:

6362 (1) the date, time, and place the hearing will be resumed; or

6363 (2) (a) that the hearing is being continued to a later time; and

6364 (b) that the board will cause a notice of the continued hearing to be published [~~on the~~  
6365 ~~Utah Public Notice Website created in Section [63A-16-601](#);~~] for the community, as a class A  
6366 notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least seven days before the day on which the hearing is  
6367 scheduled to resume.

6368 Section 116. Section **17C-1-806** is amended to read:

6369 **17C-1-806. Requirements for notice provided by agency.**

6370 (1) The notice required by Section [17C-1-805](#) shall be given by:

6371 (a) publishing notice for the county, as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for  
6372 at least 14 days before the day on which the hearing is held; and

6373 [~~(a) (i) posting notice at least 14 days before the day of the hearing in at least three~~  
6374 ~~conspicuous places within the county in which the project area or proposed project area is~~  
6375 ~~located; or]~~

6376 [~~(ii) posting notice, excluding the map described in Subsection (3)(b), at least 14 days~~  
6377 ~~before the day on which the hearing is held on:]~~

6378 [~~(A) the Utah Public Notice Website described in Section [63A-16-601](#); and]~~

6379 [~~(B) the public website of a community located within the boundaries of the project~~

6380 ~~area; and]~~

6381 (b) at least 30 days before the hearing, mailing notice to:

6382 (i) each record owner of property located within the project area or proposed project

6383 area;

6384 (ii) the State Tax Commission;

6385 (iii) the assessor and auditor of the county in which the project area or proposed project

6386 area is located; and

6387 (iv) (A) if a project area is subject to a taxing entity committee, each member of the

6388 taxing entity committee and the State Board of Education; or

6389 (B) if a project area is not subject to a taxing entity committee, the legislative body or

6390 governing board of each taxing entity within the boundaries of the project area or proposed

6391 project area.

6392 (2) The mailing of the notice to record property owners required under Subsection

6393 (1)(b)(i) shall be conclusively considered to have been properly completed if:

6394 (a) the agency mails the notice to the property owners as shown in the records,

6395 including an electronic database, of the county recorder's office and at the addresses shown in

6396 those records; and

6397 (b) the county recorder's office records used by the agency in identifying owners to

6398 whom the notice is mailed and their addresses were obtained or accessed from the county

6399 recorder's office no earlier than 30 days before the mailing.

6400 (3) The agency shall include in each notice required under Section [17C-1-805](#):

6401 (a) (i) a boundary description of the project area or proposed project area; or

6402 (ii) (A) a mailing address or telephone number where a person may request that a copy

6403 of the boundary description be sent at no cost to the person by mail, email, or facsimile

6404 transmission; and

6405 (B) if the agency or community has an Internet website, an Internet address where a

6406 person may gain access to an electronic, printable copy of the boundary description and other

6407 related information;

6408 (b) a map of the boundaries of the project area or proposed project area;

- 6409 (c) an explanation of the purpose of the hearing; and
- 6410 (d) a statement of the date, time, and location of the hearing.
- 6411 (4) The agency shall include in each notice under Subsection (1)(b):
- 6412 (a) a statement that property tax revenue resulting from an increase in valuation of
- 6413 property within the project area or proposed project area will be paid to the agency for project
- 6414 area development rather than to the taxing entity to which the tax revenue would otherwise
- 6415 have been paid if:
- 6416 (i) (A) the taxing entity committee consents to the project area budget; or
- 6417 (B) one or more taxing entities agree to share property tax revenue under an interlocal
- 6418 agreement; and
- 6419 (ii) the project area plan provides for the agency to receive tax increment; and
- 6420 (b) an invitation to the recipient of the notice to submit to the agency comments
- 6421 concerning the subject matter of the hearing before the date of the hearing.
- 6422 (5) An agency may include in a notice under Subsection (1) any other information the
- 6423 agency considers necessary or advisable, including the public purpose achieved by the project
- 6424 area development and any future tax benefits expected to result from the project area
- 6425 development.

6426 Section 117. Section **17C-1-1003** is amended to read:

6427 **17C-1-1003. Interlocal agreement -- Notice requirements -- Effective date.**

6428 (1) An agency that enters into an interlocal agreement under Section [17C-1-1002](#) shall:

- 6429 (a) adopt the interlocal agreement at an open and public meeting; and
- 6430 (b) provide a notice, in accordance with Subsections (2) and (3), titled "Authorization
- 6431 to Levy a Property Tax."

6432 (2) Upon the execution of an interlocal agreement, the agency shall provide, subject to

6433 Subsection (3), notice of the execution by~~[:]~~ publishing the notice for the agency's jurisdiction,

6434 as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least 14 days.

6435 ~~[(a) (i) publishing the notice in a newspaper of general circulation within the agency's~~

6436 ~~geographic boundaries; or]~~

6437 ~~[(ii) if there is no newspaper of general circulation within the agency's geographic~~

6438 ~~boundaries, posting the notice in at least three public places within the agency's geographic~~

6439 ~~boundaries; and]~~

6440 ~~[(b) posting the notice on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section~~  
 6441 ~~63A-16-601.]~~

6442 (3) A notice described in Subsection (2) shall include:

6443 (a) a summary of the interlocal agreement; and

6444 (b) a statement that the interlocal agreement:

6445 (i) is available for public inspection and the place and the hours for inspection; and

6446 (ii) authorizes the agency to:

6447 (A) receive all or a portion of a taxing entity's project area incremental revenue; and

6448 (B) levy a property tax on taxable property within the agency's boundaries.

6449 (4) An interlocal agreement described in Section 17C-1-1002 is effective the day on  
 6450 which the notice is published or posted in accordance with Subsections (2) and (3).

6451 (5) An eligible taxing entity that enters into an interlocal agreement under Section  
 6452 17C-1-1002 shall make a copy of the interlocal agreement available to the public for inspecting  
 6453 and copying at the eligible taxing entity's office during normal business hours.

6454 Section 118. Section 17C-2-108 is amended to read:

6455 **17C-2-108. Notice of urban renewal project area plan adoption -- Effective date**  
 6456 **of plan -- Contesting the formation of the plan.**

6457 (1) (a) Upon the community legislative body's adoption of an urban renewal project  
 6458 area plan, or an amendment to a project area plan under Section 17C-2-110, the community  
 6459 legislative body shall provide notice as provided in Subsection (1)(b) by~~[:]~~ publishing notice  
 6460 for the agency's jurisdiction, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at least 30 days.

6461 ~~[(i) causing a notice to be posted in at least three public places within the agency's~~  
 6462 ~~boundaries; and]~~

6463 ~~[(ii) posting a notice on the Utah Public Notice Website described in Section~~  
 6464 ~~63A-16-601.]~~

6465 (b) Each notice under Subsection (1)(a) shall:

6466 (i) set forth the community legislative body's ordinance adopting the project area plan  
 6467 or a summary of the ordinance; and

6468 (ii) include a statement that the project area plan is available for general public  
 6469 inspection and the hours for inspection.

6470 (2) The project area plan shall become effective ~~[on the date of:]~~ at the end of the

6471 30-day period described in Subsection (1)(a).

6472 [~~(a) if notice was published under Subsection (1)(a), publication of the notice; or]~~

6473 [~~(b) if notice was posted under Subsection (1)(a), posting of the notice.]~~

6474 (3) (a) For a period of 30 days after the effective date of the project area plan under  
6475 Subsection (2), any person may contest the project area plan or the procedure used to adopt the  
6476 project area plan if the plan or procedure fails to comply with applicable statutory  
6477 requirements.

6478 (b) After the 30-day period under Subsection (3)(a) expires, a person may not contest  
6479 the project area plan or procedure used to adopt the project area plan for any cause.

6480 (4) Upon adoption of the project area plan by the community legislative body, the  
6481 agency may carry out the project area plan.

6482 (5) Each agency shall make the project area plan available to the general public at the  
6483 agency's office during normal business hours.

6484 Section 119. Section **17C-3-107** is amended to read:

6485 **17C-3-107. Notice of economic development project area plan adoption --**  
6486 **Effective date of plan -- Contesting the formation of the plan.**

6487 (1) (a) Upon the community legislative body's adoption of an economic development  
6488 project area plan, or an amendment to the project area plan under Section **17C-3-109** that  
6489 requires notice, the legislative body shall provide notice as provided in Subsection (1)(b) by[~~;~~]  
6490 publishing notice for the agency's jurisdiction, as a class A notice under Section **63G-28-102**,  
6491 for at least 30 days.

6492 [~~(i) causing a notice to be posted in at least three public places within the agency's~~  
6493 ~~boundaries; and]~~

6494 [~~(ii) posting a notice on the Utah Public Notice Website described in Section~~  
6495 ~~**63A-16-601**.]~~

6496 (b) Each notice under Subsection (1)(a) shall:

6497 (i) set forth the community legislative body's ordinance adopting the project area plan  
6498 or a summary of the ordinance; and

6499 (ii) include a statement that the project area plan is available for public inspection and  
6500 the hours for inspection.

6501 (2) The project area plan shall become effective [~~on the date of:~~] at the end of the

6502 30-day period described in Subsection (1)(a).

6503 [~~(a) if notice was published under Subsection (1)(a), publication of the notice; or~~]

6504 [~~(b) if notice was posted under Subsection (1)(a), posting of the notice.~~]

6505 (3) (a) For a period of 30 days after the effective date of the project area plan under  
6506 Subsection (2), any person may contest the project area plan or the procedure used to adopt the  
6507 project area plan if the plan or procedure fails to comply with applicable statutory  
6508 requirements.

6509 (b) After the 30-day period under Subsection (3)(a) expires, a person may not contest  
6510 the project area plan or procedure used to adopt the project area plan for any cause.

6511 (4) Upon adoption of the economic development project area plan by the community  
6512 legislative body, the agency may implement the project area plan.

6513 (5) Each agency shall make the economic development project area plan available to  
6514 the general public at the agency's office during normal business hours.

6515 Section 120. Section **17C-4-106** is amended to read:

6516 **17C-4-106. Notice of community development project area plan adoption --**  
6517 **Effective date of plan -- Contesting the formation of the plan.**

6518 (1) (a) Upon the community legislative body's adoption of a community development  
6519 project area plan, the community legislative body shall provide notice as provided in  
6520 Subsection (1)(b) by publishing notice for the agency's jurisdiction, as a class A notice under  
6521 Section 63G-28-102, for at least 30 days.

6522 [~~(i) causing a notice to be posted in at least three public places within the agency's~~  
6523 ~~boundaries; and]~~

6524 [~~(ii) posting a notice or causing a notice to be posted on the Utah Public Notice~~  
6525 ~~Website created in Section 63A-16-601.~~]

6526 (b) Each notice under Subsection (1)(a) shall:

6527 (i) set forth the community legislative body's ordinance adopting the community  
6528 development project area plan or a summary of the ordinance; and

6529 (ii) include a statement that the project area plan is available for general public  
6530 inspection and the hours for inspection.

6531 (2) The community development project area plan shall become effective ~~[on the date~~  
6532 ~~of the posting of the notice under Subsection (1)(a)]~~ at the end of the 30-day period described

6533 in Subsection (1)(a).

6534 (3) (a) For a period of 30 days after the effective date of the community development  
6535 project area plan under Subsection (2), any person may contest the project area plan or the  
6536 procedure used to adopt the project area plan if the plan or procedure fails to comply with  
6537 applicable statutory requirements.

6538 (b) After the 30-day period under Subsection (3)(a) expires, a person may not contest  
6539 the community development project area plan or procedure used to adopt the project area plan  
6540 for any cause.

6541 (4) Upon adoption of the community development project area plan by the community  
6542 legislative body, the agency may carry out the project area plan.

6543 (5) Each agency shall make the adopted project area plan available to the public at the  
6544 agency's office during normal business hours.

6545 Section 121. Section **17C-4-109** is amended to read:

6546 **17C-4-109. Expedited community development project area plan -- Notice.**

6547 (1) As used in this section, "tax increment incentive" means the portion of tax  
6548 increment awarded to an industry or business.

6549 (2) A community development project area plan may be adopted or amended without  
6550 complying with the notice and public hearing requirements of this part and Chapter 1, Part 8,  
6551 Hearing and Notice Requirements, if the following requirements are met:

6552 (a) the agency determines by resolution adopted in an open and public meeting the  
6553 need to create or amend a project area plan on an expedited basis, which resolution shall  
6554 include a description of why expedited action is needed;

6555 (b) a public hearing on the amendment or adoption of the project area plan is held by  
6556 the agency;

6557 (c) notice of the public hearing is published at least 14 days before the day of the public  
6558 hearing [om:] for the community that created the agency, as a class A notice under Section  
6559 63G-28-102, for at least 14 days;

6560 ~~[(i) the website of the community that created the agency; and]~~

6561 ~~[(ii) the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601;]~~

6562 (d) written consent to the amendment or adoption of the project area plan is given by  
6563 all record property owners within the existing or proposed project area;

6564 (e) each taxing entity that will be affected by the tax increment incentive enters into or  
6565 amends an interlocal agreement in accordance with Title 11, Chapter 13, Interlocal Cooperation  
6566 Act, and Sections 17C-4-201, 17C-4-203, and 17C-4-204;

6567 (f) the primary market for the goods or services that will be created by the industry or  
6568 business entity that will receive a tax increment incentive from the amendment or adoption of  
6569 the project area plan is outside of the state;

6570 (g) the industry or business entity that will receive a tax increment incentive from the  
6571 amendment or adoption of the project area plan is not primarily engaged in retail trade; and

6572 (h) a tax increment incentive is only provided to an industry or business entity:

6573 (i) on a postperformance basis as described in Subsection (3); and

6574 (ii) on an annual basis after the tax increment is received by the agency.

6575 (3) An industry or business entity may only receive a tax increment incentive under this  
6576 section after entering into an agreement with the agency that sets postperformance targets that  
6577 shall be met before the industry or business entity may receive the tax increment incentive,  
6578 including annual targets for:

6579 (a) capital investment in the project area;

6580 (b) the increase in the taxable value of the project area;

6581 (c) the number of new jobs created in the project area;

6582 (d) the average wages of the jobs created, which shall be at least 110% of the  
6583 prevailing wage of the county where the project area is located; and

6584 (e) the amount of local vendor opportunity generated by the industry or business entity.

6585 Section 122. Section 17C-4-202 is amended to read:

6586 **17C-4-202. Resolution or interlocal agreement to provide project area funds for**  
6587 **the community development project area plan -- Notice -- Effective date of resolution or**  
6588 **interlocal agreement -- Time to contest resolution or interlocal agreement -- Availability**  
6589 **of resolution or interlocal agreement.**

6590 (1) The approval and adoption of each resolution or interlocal agreement under  
6591 Subsection 17C-4-201(2) shall be in an open and public meeting.

6592 (2) (a) Upon the adoption of a resolution or interlocal agreement under Section  
6593 17C-4-201, the agency shall provide notice as provided in Subsection (2)(b) by[+] publishing  
6594 notice for the agency's jurisdiction, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for 30 days.

6595 ~~[(i) causing a notice to be posted in at least three public places within the agency's~~  
6596 ~~boundaries; and]~~

6597 ~~[(ii) posting or causing to be posted a notice on the Utah Public Notice Website created~~  
6598 ~~in Section ~~63A-16-601~~.]~~

6599 (b) Each notice under Subsection (2)(a) shall:

6600 (i) set forth a summary of the resolution or interlocal agreement; and

6601 (ii) include a statement that the resolution or interlocal agreement is available for  
6602 public inspection and the hours of inspection.

6603 (3) The resolution or interlocal agreement shall become effective ~~[on the date of the~~  
6604 ~~posting of the notice under Subsection (2)(a)]~~ at the end of the 30-day period described in  
6605 Subsection (2)(a).

6606 (4) (a) For a period of 30 days after the effective date of the resolution or interlocal  
6607 agreement under Subsection (3), any person may contest the resolution or interlocal agreement  
6608 or the procedure used to adopt the resolution or interlocal agreement if the resolution or  
6609 interlocal agreement or procedure fails to comply with applicable statutory requirements.

6610 (b) After the 30-day period under Subsection (4)(a) expires, a person may not contest:

6611 (i) the resolution or interlocal agreement;

6612 (ii) a distribution of tax increment to the agency under the resolution or interlocal  
6613 agreement; or

6614 (iii) the agency's use of project area funds under the resolution or interlocal agreement.

6615 (5) Each agency that is to receive project area funds under a resolution or interlocal  
6616 agreement under Section ~~17C-4-201~~ and each taxing entity that approves a resolution or enters  
6617 into an interlocal agreement under Section ~~17C-4-201~~ shall make the resolution or interlocal  
6618 agreement, as the case may be, available at the taxing entity's offices to the public for  
6619 inspection and copying during normal business hours.

6620 Section 123. Section ~~17C-5-110~~ is amended to read:

6621 **17C-5-110. Notice of community reinvestment project area plan adoption --**  
6622 **Effective date of plan -- Contesting the formation of the plan.**

6623 (1) (a) Upon a community legislative body's adoption of a community reinvestment  
6624 project area plan in accordance with Section ~~17C-5-109~~, or an amendment to a community  
6625 reinvestment project area plan in accordance with Section ~~17C-5-112~~, the community

6626 legislative body shall provide notice of the adoption or amendment in accordance with  
6627 Subsection (1)(b) by[:] publishing notice for the community, as a class A notice under Section  
6628 63G-28-102, for 30 days.

6629 ~~[(i) causing a notice to be posted in at least three public places within the community;~~  
6630 ~~and]~~

6631 ~~[(ii) posting a notice on the Utah Public Notice Website described in Section~~  
6632 ~~63A-16-601.]~~

6633 (b) A notice described in Subsection (1)(a) shall include:

6634 (i) a copy of the community legislative body's ordinance, or a summary of the  
6635 ordinance, that adopts the community reinvestment project area plan; and

6636 (ii) a statement that the community reinvestment project area plan is available for  
6637 public inspection and the hours for inspection.

6638 (2) A community reinvestment project area plan is effective ~~[on the day on which~~  
6639 ~~notice of adoption is published or posted in accordance with Subsection (1)(a)]~~ at the end of the  
6640 30-day period described in Subsection (1)(a).

6641 (3) A community reinvestment project area is considered created the day on which the  
6642 community reinvestment project area plan becomes effective as described in Subsection (2).

6643 (4) (a) Within 30 days after the day on which a community reinvestment project area  
6644 plan is effective, a person may contest the community reinvestment project area plan or the  
6645 procedure used to adopt the community reinvestment project area plan if the community  
6646 reinvestment project area plan or the procedure fails to comply with a provision of this title.

6647 (b) After the 30-day period described in Subsection (4)(a) expires, a person may not  
6648 contest the community reinvestment project area plan or the procedure used to adopt the  
6649 community reinvestment project area plan.

6650 (5) Upon adoption of a community reinvestment project area plan by the community  
6651 legislative body, the agency may implement the community reinvestment project area plan.

6652 (6) The agency shall make the community reinvestment project area plan available to  
6653 the public at the agency's office during normal business hours.

6654 Section 124. Section **17C-5-113** is amended to read:

6655 **17C-5-113. Expedited community reinvestment project area plan -- Hearing and**  
6656 **notice requirements.**

- 6657 (1) As used in this section:
- 6658 (a) "Qualified business entity" means a business entity that:
- 6659 (i) has a primary market for the qualified business entity's goods or services outside of
- 6660 the state; and
- 6661 (ii) is not primarily engaged in retail sales.
- 6662 (b) "Tax increment incentive" means the portion of an agency's tax increment that is
- 6663 paid to a qualified business entity for the purpose of implementing a community reinvestment
- 6664 project area plan.
- 6665 (2) An agency and a qualified business entity may, in accordance with Subsection (3),
- 6666 enter into an agreement that allows the qualified business entity to receive a tax increment
- 6667 incentive.
- 6668 (3) An agreement described in Subsection (2) shall set annual postperformance targets
- 6669 for:
- 6670 (a) capital investment within the community reinvestment project area;
- 6671 (b) the number of new jobs created within the community reinvestment project area;
- 6672 (c) the average wage of the jobs described in Subsection (3)(b) that is at least 110% of
- 6673 the prevailing wage of the county within which the community reinvestment project area is
- 6674 located; and
- 6675 (d) the amount of local vendor opportunity generated by the qualified business entity.
- 6676 (4) A qualified business entity may only receive a tax increment incentive:
- 6677 (a) if the qualified business entity complies with the agreement described in Subsection
- 6678 (3);
- 6679 (b) on a postperformance basis; and
- 6680 (c) on an annual basis after the agency receives tax increment from a taxing entity.
- 6681 (5) An agency may create or amend a community reinvestment project area plan for the
- 6682 purpose of providing a tax increment incentive without complying with the requirements
- 6683 described in Chapter 1, Part 8, Hearing and Notice Requirements, if:
- 6684 (a) the agency:
- 6685 (i) holds a public hearing to consider the need to create or amend a community
- 6686 reinvestment project area plan on an expedited basis;
- 6687 (ii) [posts] publishes notice for the community, as a class A notice under Section

6688 [63G-28-102](#), for at least 14 days before the day on which the public hearing described in  
 6689 Subsection (5)(a)(i) is held ~~[on:]; and~~

6690 ~~[(A) the community's website; and]~~

6691 ~~[(B) the Utah Public Notice Website as described in Section [63A-16-601](#); and]~~

6692 (iii) at the hearing described in Subsection (5)(a)(i), adopts a resolution to create or  
 6693 amend the community reinvestment project area plan on an expedited basis;

6694 (b) all record property owners within the existing or proposed community reinvestment  
 6695 project area plan give written consent; and

6696 (c) each taxing entity affected by the tax increment incentive consents and enters into  
 6697 an interlocal agreement with the agency authorizing the agency to pay a tax increment incentive  
 6698 to the qualified business entity.

6699 Section 125. Section **17C-5-205** is amended to read:

6700 **17C-5-205. Interlocal agreement to provide project area funds for the community**  
 6701 **reinvestment project area subject to interlocal agreement -- Notice -- Effective date of**  
 6702 **interlocal agreement -- Time to contest interlocal agreement -- Availability of interlocal**  
 6703 **agreement.**

6704 (1) An agency shall:

6705 (a) approve and adopt an interlocal agreement described in Section [17C-5-204](#) at an  
 6706 open and public meeting; and

6707 (b) provide a notice of the meeting titled "Diversion of Property Tax for a Community  
 6708 Reinvestment Project Area."

6709 (2) (a) Upon the execution of an interlocal agreement described in Section [17C-5-204](#),  
 6710 the agency shall provide notice of the execution by~~[:]~~ publishing the notice for the agency's  
 6711 jurisdiction, as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for 30 days.

6712 ~~[(i) causing the notice to be posted in at least three public places within the agency's~~  
 6713 ~~boundaries; and]~~

6714 ~~[(ii) posting the notice or causing the notice to be posted on the Utah Public Notice~~  
 6715 ~~Website created in Section [63A-16-601](#).]~~

6716 (b) A notice described in Subsection (2)(a) shall include:

6717 (i) a summary of the interlocal agreement; and

6718 (ii) a statement that the interlocal agreement:

6719 (A) is available for public inspection and the hours for inspection; and  
6720 (B) authorizes the agency to receive all or a portion of a taxing entity's tax increment or  
6721 sales and use tax revenue.

6722 (3) An interlocal agreement described in Section 17C-5-204 is effective [~~the day on~~  
6723 ~~which the notice described in Subsection (2) is posted in accordance with Subsection (2)(a)] at  
6724 the end of the 30-day period described in Subsection (2)(a).~~

6725 (4) (a) Within 30 days after the day on which the interlocal agreement is effective, a  
6726 person may contest the interlocal agreement or the procedure used to adopt the interlocal  
6727 agreement if the interlocal agreement or procedure fails to comply with a provision of this title.

6728 (b) After the 30-day period described in Subsection (4)(a) expires, a person may not  
6729 contest:

- 6730 (i) the interlocal agreement;
- 6731 (ii) a distribution of tax increment to the agency under the interlocal agreement; or
- 6732 (iii) the agency's use of project area funds under the interlocal agreement.

6733 (5) A taxing entity that enters into an interlocal agreement under Section 17C-5-204  
6734 shall make a copy of the interlocal agreement available to the public at the taxing entity's office  
6735 for inspection and copying during normal business hours.

6736 Section 126. Section 17D-3-305 is amended to read:

6737 **17D-3-305. Setting the date of nomination of the board of supervisors -- Notice**  
6738 **requirements.**

6739 (1) The commission shall set the date of the nomination of members of the board of  
6740 supervisors of a conservation district.

6741 (2) The commission shall publish notice of the nomination day described in Subsection  
6742 (1):

6743 [~~(a) (i) in a newspaper of general circulation within the conservation district at least~~  
6744 ~~once, no later than four weeks before the day of the nomination; or]~~

6745 [~~(ii) if there is no newspaper of general circulation in the conservation district, at least~~  
6746 ~~four weeks before the nomination day, by posting one notice, and at least one additional notice~~  
6747 ~~per 2,000 population of the conservation district, in places within the conservation district that~~  
6748 ~~are most likely to give notice to the residents in the conservation district;]~~

6749 [(b)] (a) [~~on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601;]~~ for the

6750 conservation district, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for four weeks before the  
 6751 day of the nomination; and

6752 ~~[(c)]~~ (b) in accordance with Section 45-1-101, for four weeks before the day of the  
 6753 nomination~~[-; and].~~

6754 ~~[(d) if the conservation district has a website, on the conservation district's website for~~  
 6755 ~~four weeks before the day of the nomination.]~~

6756 (3) The commissioner shall appoint the board of members by no later than six weeks  
 6757 after the date set by the commission for the close of nominations.

6758 (4) The notice required under Subsection (2) shall state:

6759 (a) the nomination date; and

6760 (b) the number of open board member positions for the conservation district.

6761 Section 127. Section 19-2-109 is amended to read:

6762 **19-2-109. Air quality standards -- Hearings on adoption -- Notice requirements --**  
 6763 **Orders of director -- Adoption of emission control requirements.**

6764 (1) (a) The board, in adopting standards of quality for ambient air, shall conduct public  
 6765 hearings.

6766 (b) Notice of any public hearing for the consideration, adoption, or amendment of air  
 6767 quality standards shall specify the locations to which the proposed standards apply and the  
 6768 time, date, and place of the hearing.

6769 (c) The notice shall be:

6770 (i) ~~[(A)]~~ published ~~[at least twice in any newspaper of general circulation in]~~ for the  
 6771 area affected, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at least 20 days; and

6772 ~~[(B)] published on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601, at~~  
 6773 ~~least 20 days before the public hearing; and]~~

6774 (ii) mailed at least 20 days before the public hearing to the chief executive of each  
 6775 political subdivision of the area affected and to other persons the director has reason to believe  
 6776 will be affected by the standards.

6777 (d) The adoption of air quality standards or any modification or changes to air quality  
 6778 standards shall be by order of the director following formal action of the board with respect to  
 6779 the standards.

6780 (e) The order shall be published:

6781 (i) [~~in a newspaper of general circulation in~~] for the area affected, as a class A notice  
6782 under Section 63G-28-102, for at least 20 days; and

6783 (ii) as required in Section 45-1-101.

6784 (2) (a) The board may establish emission control requirements by rule that in its  
6785 judgment may be necessary to prevent, abate, or control air pollution that may be statewide or  
6786 may vary from area to area, taking into account varying local conditions.

6787 (b) In adopting these requirements, the board shall give notice and conduct public  
6788 hearings in accordance with the requirements in Subsection (1).

6789 Section 128. Section 20A-1-206 is amended to read:

6790 **20A-1-206. Cancellation of local election or local race -- Municipalities -- Local**  
6791 **districts -- Notice.**

6792 (1) As used in this section:

6793 (a) "Contested race" means a race in a general election where the number of  
6794 candidates, including any eligible write-in candidates, exceeds the number of offices to be  
6795 filled in the race.

6796 (b) "Election" means an event, run by an election officer, that includes one or more  
6797 races for public office or one or more ballot propositions.

6798 (c) (i) "Race" means a contest between candidates to obtain the number of votes  
6799 necessary to take a particular public office.

6800 (ii) "Race," as the term relates to a contest for an at-large position, includes all open  
6801 positions for the same at-large office.

6802 (iii) "Race," as the term relates to a contest for a municipal council position that is not  
6803 an at-large position, includes only the contest to represent a particular district on the council.

6804 (2) A municipal legislative body may cancel a local election if:

6805 (a) the ballot for the local election will not include any contested races or ballot  
6806 propositions; and

6807 (b) the municipal legislative body passes, no later than 20 days before the day of the  
6808 scheduled election, a resolution that cancels the election and certifies that:

6809 (i) the ballot for the election would not include any contested races or ballot  
6810 propositions; and

6811 (ii) the candidates who qualified for the ballot are considered elected.

- 6812 (3) A municipal legislative body may cancel a race in a local election if:
- 6813 (a) the ballot for the race will not include any contested races or ballot propositions;
- 6814 and
- 6815 (b) the municipal legislative body passes, no later than 20 days before the day of the
- 6816 scheduled election, a resolution that cancels the race and certifies that:
- 6817 (i) the ballot for the race would not include any contested races or ballot propositions;
- 6818 and
- 6819 (ii) the candidate for the race is considered elected.

6820 (4) A municipal legislative body that cancels a local election in accordance with

6821 Subsection (2) shall give notice that the election is cancelled by:

6822 (a) subject to Subsection (8), providing notice to the lieutenant governor's office to be

6823 posted on the Statewide Electronic Voter Information Website described in Section [20A-7-801](#),

6824 for 15 consecutive days before the day of the scheduled election; and

6825 (b) providing notice for the municipality, as a class A notice under Section

6826 [63G-28-102](#), for at least 15 days before the day of the scheduled election.

6827 [~~(b) if the municipality has a public website, posting notice on the municipality's public~~

6828 ~~website for 15 days before the day of the scheduled election;]~~

6829 [~~(c) if the elected officials or departments of the municipality regularly publish a~~

6830 ~~printed or electronic newsletter or other periodical, publishing notice in the next scheduled~~

6831 ~~newsletter or other periodical published before the day of the scheduled election;]~~

6832 [~~(d) (i) publishing notice at least twice in a newspaper of general circulation in the~~

6833 ~~municipality before the day of the scheduled election;]~~

6834 [~~(ii) at least 10 days before the day of the scheduled election, posting one notice, and at~~

6835 ~~least one additional notice per 2,000 population within the municipality, in places within the~~

6836 ~~municipality that are most likely to give notice to the voters in the municipality, subject to a~~

6837 ~~maximum of 10 notices; or]~~

6838 [~~(iii) at least 10 days before the day of the scheduled election, mailing notice to each~~

6839 ~~registered voter in the municipality; and]~~

6840 [~~(e) posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section [63A-16-601](#),~~

6841 ~~for at least 10 days before the day of the scheduled election.]~~

6842 (5) A local district board may cancel a local election if:

6843 (a) the ballot for the local election will not include any contested races or ballot  
6844 propositions; and

6845 (b) the local district board passes, no later than 20 days before the day of the scheduled  
6846 election, a resolution that cancels the election and certifies that:

6847 (i) the ballot for the election would not include any contested races or ballot  
6848 propositions; and

6849 (ii) the candidates who qualified for the ballot are considered elected.

6850 (6) A local district board may cancel a local district race if:

6851 (a) the race is uncontested; and

6852 (b) the local district board passes, no later than 20 days before the day of the scheduled  
6853 election, a resolution that cancels the race and certifies that the candidate who qualified for the  
6854 ballot for that race is considered elected.

6855 (7) A local district that cancels a local election in accordance with Subsection (5) shall  
6856 provide notice that the election is cancelled:

6857 (a) subject to Subsection (8), by posting notice on the Statewide Electronic Voter  
6858 Information Website described in Section [20A-7-801](#), for 15 consecutive days before the day of  
6859 the scheduled election; and

6860 (b) as a class B notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least 15 days before the day of  
6861 the scheduled election.

6862 [~~(b) if the local district has a public website, by posting notice on the local district's~~  
6863 ~~public website for 15 days before the day of the scheduled election;]~~

6864 [~~(c) if the local district publishes a newsletter or other periodical, by publishing notice~~  
6865 ~~in the next scheduled newsletter or other periodical published before the day of the scheduled~~  
6866 ~~election;]~~

6867 [~~(d) (i) by publishing notice at least twice in a newspaper of general circulation in the~~  
6868 ~~local district before the scheduled election;]~~

6869 [~~(ii) at least 10 days before the day of the scheduled election, by posting one notice,~~  
6870 ~~and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population of the local district, in places within the~~  
6871 ~~local district that are most likely to give notice to the voters in the local district, subject to a~~  
6872 ~~maximum of 10 notices; or]~~

6873 [~~(iii) at least 10 days before the day of the scheduled election, by mailing notice to each~~

6874 registered voter in the local district; and]

6875 [~~(e) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section~~

6876 ~~63A-16-601, for at least 10 days before the day of the scheduled election.]~~

6877 (8) A municipal legislative body that posts a notice in accordance with Subsection

6878 (4)(a) or a local district that posts a notice in accordance with Subsection (7)(a) is not liable for

6879 a notice that fails to post due to technical or other error by the publisher of the Statewide

6880 Electronic Voter Information Website.

6881 Section 129. Section **20A-1-512** is amended to read:

6882 **20A-1-512. Midterm vacancies on local district boards -- Notice.**

6883 (1) (a) When a vacancy occurs on any local district board for any reason, the following

6884 shall appoint a replacement to serve out the unexpired term in accordance with this section:

6885 (i) the local district board, if the person vacating the position was elected; or

6886 (ii) the appointing authority, as that term is defined in Section **17B-1-102**, if the

6887 appointing authority appointed the person vacating the position.

6888 (b) Except as provided in Subsection (1)(c) or (d), before acting to fill the vacancy, the

6889 local district board or appointing authority shall:

6890 (i) give public notice of the vacancy for at least two weeks before the local district

6891 board or appointing authority meets to fill the vacancy by[:] publishing the notice, as a class A

6892 notice under Section **63G-28-102**, for the local district; and

6893 [~~(A) if there is a newspaper of general circulation, as that term is defined in Section~~

6894 ~~45-1-201, within the district, publishing the notice in the newspaper of general circulation;]~~

6895 [~~(B) posting the notice in three public places within the local district; and]~~

6896 [~~(C) posting on the Utah Public Notice Website created under Section **63A-16-601**;~~

6897 ~~and]~~

6898 (ii) identify, in the notice:

6899 (A) the date, time, and place of the meeting where the vacancy will be filled;

6900 (B) the individual to whom an individual who is interested in an appointment to fill the

6901 vacancy may submit the individual's name for consideration; and

6902 (C) any submission deadline.

6903 (c) An appointing authority is not subject to Subsection (1)(b) if:

6904 (i) the appointing authority appoints one of the appointing authority's own members;

6905 and

6906 (ii) that member meets all applicable statutory board member qualifications.

6907 (d) When a vacancy occurs on the board of a water conservancy district located in  
6908 more than one county:

6909 (i) the board shall give notice of the vacancy to the county legislative bodies that  
6910 nominated the vacating trustee as provided in Section [17B-2a-1005](#);

6911 (ii) the county legislative bodies described in Subsection (1)(d)(i) shall collectively  
6912 compile a list of three nominees to fill the vacancy; and

6913 (iii) the governor shall, with the advice and consent of the Senate, appoint an  
6914 individual to fill the vacancy from nominees submitted as provided in Subsection  
6915 [17B-2a-1005\(2\)\(c\)](#).

6916 (2) If the local district board fails to appoint an individual to complete an elected board  
6917 member's term within 90 days, the legislative body of the county or municipality that created  
6918 the local district shall fill the vacancy in accordance with the procedure for a local district  
6919 described in Subsection (1)(b).

6920 Section 130. Section [20A-3a-604](#) is amended to read:

6921 **[20A-3a-604. Notice of time and place of early voting.](#)**

6922 (1) Except as provided in Section [20A-1-308](#) or Subsection [20A-3a-603\(2\)](#), the  
6923 election officer shall, for at least [19] 28 days before the date of the election, provide notice of  
6924 the dates, times, and locations of early voting[:] by publishing notice for the county, as a class  
6925 A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#).

6926 [~~(a)(i) by publishing notice in at least one issue of a newspaper of general circulation~~  
6927 ~~in the county;~~]

6928 [~~(ii) by posting one notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population of~~  
6929 ~~the county, in places within the county that are most likely to give notice to the residents in the~~  
6930 ~~county, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or]~~

6931 [~~(iii) by mailing notice to each registered voter in the county;~~]

6932 [~~(b) by posting notice at each early voting polling place;~~]

6933 [~~(c) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section~~  
6934 ~~[63A-16-601](#), for 19 days before the day of the election; and]~~

6935 [~~(d) by posting notice on the county's website for 19 days before the day of the~~

6936 election.]

6937 (2) Instead of specifying all dates, times, and locations of early voting, a notice  
6938 required under Subsection (1) may specify the following sources where a voter may view or  
6939 obtain a copy of all dates, times, and locations of early voting:

6940 (a) the county's website;

6941 (b) the physical address of the county's offices; and

6942 (c) a mailing address and telephone number.

6943 (3) The election officer shall include in the notice described in Subsection (1):

6944 (a) the address of the Statewide Electronic Voter Information Website and, if available,  
6945 the address of the election officer's website, with a statement indicating that the election officer  
6946 will post on the website the location of each early voting polling place, including any changes  
6947 to the location of an early voting polling place and the location of additional early voting  
6948 polling places; and

6949 (b) a phone number that a voter may call to obtain information regarding the location  
6950 of an early voting polling place.

6951 Section 131. Section **20A-4-104** is amended to read:

6952 **20A-4-104. Counting ballots electronically -- Notice of testing tabulating**  
6953 **equipment.**

6954 (1) (a) Before beginning to count ballots using automatic tabulating equipment, the  
6955 election officer shall test the automatic tabulating equipment to ensure that it will accurately  
6956 count the votes cast for all offices and all measures.

6957 (b) The election officer shall provide public notice of the time and place of the test[:]  
6958 by publishing the notice, as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for the county,  
6959 municipality, or jurisdiction where the equipment is used, for at least 10 days before the day of  
6960 the test.

6961 [~~(i) (A) by publishing notice at least 48 hours before the test in a newspaper of general~~  
6962 ~~circulation in the county, municipality, or jurisdiction where the equipment is used;]~~

6963 [~~(B) at least 10 days before the day of the test, by posting one notice, and at least one~~  
6964 ~~additional notice per 2,000 population of the county, municipality, or jurisdiction, in places~~  
6965 ~~within the county, municipality, or jurisdiction that are most likely to give notice to the voters~~  
6966 ~~in the county, municipality, or jurisdiction, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or]~~

6967 ~~[(C) at least 10 days before the day of the test, by mailing notice to each registered~~  
6968 ~~voter in the county, municipality, or jurisdiction where the equipment is used;]~~

6969 ~~[(ii) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section~~  
6970 ~~63A-16-601, for four weeks before the day of the test, and]~~

6971 ~~[(iii) if the county, municipality, or jurisdiction has a website, by posting notice on the~~  
6972 ~~website for four weeks before the day of the test.]~~

6973 (c) The election officer shall conduct the test by processing a preaudited group of  
6974 ballots.

6975 (d) The election officer shall ensure that:

6976 (i) a predetermined number of valid votes for each candidate and measure are recorded  
6977 on the ballots;

6978 (ii) for each office, one or more ballots have votes in excess of the number allowed by  
6979 law in order to test the ability of the automatic tabulating equipment to reject those votes; and

6980 (iii) a different number of valid votes are assigned to each candidate for an office, and  
6981 for and against each measure.

6982 (e) If any error is detected, the election officer shall determine the cause of the error  
6983 and correct it.

6984 (f) The election officer shall ensure that:

6985 (i) the automatic tabulating equipment produces an errorless count before beginning  
6986 the actual counting; and

6987 (ii) the automatic tabulating equipment passes the same test at the end of the count  
6988 before the election returns are approved as official.

6989 (2) (a) The election officer or the election officer's designee shall supervise and direct  
6990 all proceedings at the counting center.

6991 (b) (i) Proceedings at the counting center are public and may be observed by interested  
6992 persons.

6993 (ii) Only those persons authorized to participate in the count may touch any ballot or  
6994 return.

6995 (c) The election officer shall deputize and administer an oath or affirmation to all  
6996 persons who are engaged in processing and counting the ballots that they will faithfully  
6997 perform their assigned duties.

6998 (3) (a) If any ballot is damaged or defective so that it cannot properly be counted by the  
6999 automatic tabulating equipment, the election officer shall ensure that two counting judges  
7000 jointly:

- 7001 (i) make a true replication of the ballot with an identifying serial number;
- 7002 (ii) substitute the replicated ballot for the damaged or defective ballot;
- 7003 (iii) label the replicated ballot "replicated"; and
- 7004 (iv) record the replicated ballot's serial number on the damaged or defective ballot.

7005 (b) The lieutenant governor shall provide to each election officer a standard form on  
7006 which the election officer shall maintain a log of all replicated ballots, that includes, for each  
7007 ballot:

- 7008 (i) the serial number described in Subsection (3)(a);
- 7009 (ii) the identification of the individuals who replicated the ballot;
- 7010 (iii) the reason for the replication; and
- 7011 (iv) any other information required by the lieutenant governor.

7012 (c) An election officer shall:

- 7013 (i) maintain the log described in Subsection (3)(b) in a complete and legible manner, as  
7014 ballots are replicated;
- 7015 (ii) at the end of each day during which one or more ballots are replicated, make an  
7016 electronic copy of the log; and
- 7017 (iii) keep each electronic copy made under Subsection (3)(c)(ii) for at least 22 months.

7018 (4) The election officer may:

- 7019 (a) conduct an unofficial count before conducting the official count in order to provide  
7020 early unofficial returns to the public;
- 7021 (b) release unofficial returns from time to time after the polls close; and
- 7022 (c) report the progress of the count for each candidate during the actual counting of  
7023 ballots.

7024 (5) Beginning on the day after the date of the election, if an election officer releases  
7025 early unofficial returns or reports the progress of the count for each candidate under Subsection  
7026 (4), the election officer shall, with each release or report, disclose an estimate of the total  
7027 number of voted ballots in the election officer's custody that have not yet been counted.

7028 (6) The election officer shall review and evaluate the provisional ballot envelopes and

7029 prepare any valid provisional ballots for counting as provided in Section [20A-4-107](#).

7030 (7) (a) The election officer or the election officer's designee shall:

7031 (i) separate, count, and tabulate any ballots containing valid write-in votes; and

7032 (ii) complete the standard form provided by the clerk for recording valid write-in votes.

7033 (b) In counting the write-in votes, if, by casting a valid write-in vote, a voter has cast

7034 more votes for an office than that voter is entitled to vote for that office, the poll workers shall

7035 count the valid write-in vote as being the obvious intent of the voter.

7036 (8) (a) The election officer shall certify the return printed by the automatic tabulating

7037 equipment, to which have been added write-in and absentee votes, as the official return of each

7038 voting precinct.

7039 (b) Upon completion of the count, the election officer shall make official returns open

7040 to the public.

7041 (9) If for any reason it becomes impracticable to count all or a part of the ballots with

7042 tabulating equipment, the election officer may direct that they be counted manually according

7043 to the procedures and requirements of this part.

7044 (10) After the count is completed, the election officer shall seal and retain the

7045 programs, test materials, and ballots as provided in Section [20A-4-202](#).

7046 Section 132. Section **20A-4-304** is amended to read:

7047 **20A-4-304. Declaration of results -- Canvassers' report.**

7048 (1) Each board of canvassers shall:

7049 (a) except as provided in Part 6, Municipal Alternate Voting Methods Pilot Project,

7050 declare "elected" or "nominated" those persons who:

7051 (i) had the highest number of votes; and

7052 (ii) sought election or nomination to an office completely within the board's

7053 jurisdiction;

7054 (b) declare:

7055 (i) "approved" those ballot propositions that:

7056 (A) had more "yes" votes than "no" votes; and

7057 (B) were submitted only to the voters within the board's jurisdiction; or

7058 (ii) "rejected" those ballot propositions that:

7059 (A) had more "no" votes than "yes" votes or an equal number of "no" votes and "yes"

7060 votes; and  
7061 (B) were submitted only to the voters within the board's jurisdiction;  
7062 (c) certify the vote totals for persons and for and against ballot propositions that were  
7063 submitted to voters within and beyond the board's jurisdiction and transmit those vote totals to  
7064 the lieutenant governor; and  
7065 (d) if applicable, certify the results of each local district election to the local district  
7066 clerk.  
7067 (2) As soon as the result is declared, the election officer shall prepare a report of the  
7068 result, which shall contain:  
7069 (a) the total number of votes cast in the board's jurisdiction;  
7070 (b) the names of each candidate whose name appeared on the ballot;  
7071 (c) the title of each ballot proposition that appeared on the ballot;  
7072 (d) each office that appeared on the ballot;  
7073 (e) from each voting precinct:  
7074 (i) the number of votes for each candidate;  
7075 (ii) for each race conducted by instant runoff voting under Part 6, Municipal Alternate  
7076 Voting Methods Pilot Project, the number of valid votes cast for each candidate for each  
7077 potential ballot-counting phase and the name of the candidate excluded in each ballot-counting  
7078 phase; and  
7079 (iii) the number of votes for and against each ballot proposition;  
7080 (f) the total number of votes given in the board's jurisdiction to each candidate, and for  
7081 and against each ballot proposition;  
7082 (g) the number of ballots that were rejected; and  
7083 (h) a statement certifying that the information contained in the report is accurate.  
7084 (3) The election officer and the board of canvassers shall:  
7085 (a) review the report to ensure that it is correct; and  
7086 (b) sign the report.  
7087 (4) The election officer shall:  
7088 (a) record or file the certified report in a book kept for that purpose;  
7089 (b) prepare and transmit a certificate of nomination or election under the officer's seal  
7090 to each nominated or elected candidate;

7091 (c) publish a copy of the certified report in accordance with Subsection (5); and

7092 (d) file a copy of the certified report with the lieutenant governor.

7093 (5) Except as provided in Subsection (6), the election officer shall, no later than seven  
7094 days after the day on which the board of canvassers declares the election results, publicize the  
7095 certified report described in Subsection (2)[:] for the jurisdiction, as a class A notice under  
7096 Section 63G-28-102, for at least seven days.

7097 [~~(a) (i) by publishing notice at least once in a newspaper of general circulation within~~  
7098 ~~the jurisdiction;~~]

7099 [~~(ii) by posting one notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population of~~  
7100 ~~the jurisdiction, in places within the jurisdiction that are most likely to give notice to the~~  
7101 ~~residents of the jurisdiction, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or]~~

7102 [~~(iii) by mailing notice to each residence within the jurisdiction;~~]

7103 [~~(b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section~~  
7104 ~~63A-16-601, for one week; and]~~

7105 [~~(c) if the jurisdiction has a website, by posting notice on the jurisdiction's website for~~  
7106 ~~one week.]~~

7107 (6) Instead of including a copy of the entire certified report, a notice required under  
7108 Subsection (5) may contain a statement that:

7109 (a) includes the following: "The Board of Canvassers for [indicate name of  
7110 jurisdiction] has prepared a report of the election results for the [indicate type and date of  
7111 election]."; and

7112 (b) specifies the following sources where an individual may view or obtain a copy of  
7113 the entire certified report:

7114 (i) if the jurisdiction has a website, the jurisdiction's website;

7115 (ii) the physical address for the jurisdiction; and

7116 (iii) a mailing address and telephone number.

7117 (7) When there has been a regular general or a statewide special election for statewide  
7118 officers, for officers that appear on the ballot in more than one county, or for a statewide or two  
7119 or more county ballot proposition, each board of canvassers shall:

7120 (a) prepare a separate report detailing the number of votes for each candidate and the  
7121 number of votes for and against each ballot proposition; and

7122 (b) transmit the separate report by registered mail to the lieutenant governor.

7123 (8) In each county election, municipal election, school election, local district election,  
7124 and local special election, the election officer shall transmit the reports to the lieutenant  
7125 governor within 14 days after the date of the election.

7126 (9) In a regular primary election and in a presidential primary election, the board shall  
7127 transmit to the lieutenant governor:

7128 (a) the county totals for multi-county races, to be telephoned or faxed to the lieutenant  
7129 governor not later than the second Tuesday after the election; and

7130 (b) a complete tabulation showing voting totals for all primary races, precinct by  
7131 precinct, to be mailed to the lieutenant governor on or before the third Friday following the  
7132 primary election.

7133 Section 133. Section **20A-5-101** is amended to read:

7134 **20A-5-101. Notice of election.**

7135 (1) On or before November 15 in the year before each regular general election year, the  
7136 lieutenant governor shall prepare and transmit a written notice to each county clerk that:

7137 (a) designates the offices to be filled at the next year's regular general election;

7138 (b) identifies the dates for filing a declaration of candidacy, and for submitting and  
7139 certifying nomination petition signatures, as applicable, under Sections [20A-9-403](#), [20A-9-407](#),  
7140 and [20A-9-408](#) for those offices; and

7141 (c) contains a description of any ballot propositions to be decided by the voters that  
7142 have qualified for the ballot as of that date.

7143 (2) (a) No later than seven business days after the day on which the lieutenant governor  
7144 transmits the written notice described in Subsection (1), each county clerk shall provide notice  
7145 for the county, as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at seven days before the day  
7146 of the election and in accordance with Subsection (3)[:].

7147 [~~(i) by posting notice in a conspicuous place most likely to give notice of the election~~  
7148 ~~to the voters in each voting precinct within the county;~~]

7149 [~~(ii) (A) by publishing notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the county;~~]

7150 [~~(B) by posting one notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population of~~  
7151 ~~the county, in places within the county that are most likely to give notice of the election to the~~  
7152 ~~voters in the county, subject to a maximum of 10 notices; or]~~

7153 [~~(C) by mailing notice to each registered voter in the county;~~  
7154 [~~(iii) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section~~  
7155 ~~63A-16-601, for seven days before the day of the election; and]~~  
7156 [~~(iv) by posting notice on the county's website for seven days before the day of the~~  
7157 ~~election.~~]  
7158 (b) The county clerk shall prepare an affidavit of the posting under Subsection  
7159 [~~(2)(a)(i)~~ (2)(a), showing a copy of the notice and the places where the notice was posted.  
7160 (3) The notice described in Subsection (2) shall:  
7161 (a) designate the offices to be voted on in that election; and  
7162 (b) identify the dates for filing a declaration of candidacy for those offices.  
7163 (4) Except as provided in Subsection (6), before each election, the election officer shall  
7164 give printed notice of the following information:  
7165 (a) the date of election;  
7166 (b) the hours during which the polls will be open;  
7167 (c) the polling places for each voting precinct, early voting polling place, and election  
7168 day voting center;  
7169 (d) the address of the Statewide Electronic Voter Information Website and, if available,  
7170 the address of the election officer's website, with a statement indicating that the election officer  
7171 will post on the website any changes to the location of a polling place and the location of any  
7172 additional polling place;  
7173 (e) a phone number that a voter may call to obtain information regarding the location of  
7174 a polling place; and  
7175 (f) the qualifications for persons to vote in the election.  
7176 (5) The election officer shall provide the notice described in Subsection (4)~~[:]~~ for the  
7177 jurisdiction, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at least seven days before the  
7178 day of the election.  
7179 [~~(a) (i) by publishing the notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the jurisdiction~~  
7180 ~~to which the election pertains, at least two days before the day of the election;]~~  
7181 [~~(ii) at least two days before the day of the election, by posting one notice, and at least~~  
7182 ~~one additional notice per 2,000 population of the jurisdiction, in places within the jurisdiction~~  
7183 ~~that are most likely to give notice of the election to the voters in the jurisdiction, subject to a~~

7184 ~~maximum of 10 notices; or]~~

7185 ~~[(iii) by mailing the notice to each registered voter who resides in the jurisdiction to~~  
7186 ~~which the election pertains at least five days before the day of the election;]~~

7187 ~~[(b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section~~

7188 ~~63A-16-601, for two days before the day of the election; and]~~

7189 ~~[(c) if the jurisdiction has a website, by posting notice on the jurisdiction's website for~~  
7190 ~~two days before the day of the election.]~~

7191 (6) Instead of including the information described in Subsection (4) in the notice, the  
7192 election officer may give printed notice that:

7193 (a) is entitled "Notice of Election";

7194 (b) includes the following: "A [indicate election type] will be held in [indicate the  
7195 jurisdiction] on [indicate date of election]. Information relating to the election, including  
7196 polling places, polling place hours, and qualifications of voters may be obtained from the  
7197 following sources:"; and

7198 (c) specifies the following sources where an individual may view or obtain the  
7199 information described in Subsection (4):

7200 (i) if the jurisdiction has a website, the jurisdiction's website;

7201 (ii) the physical address of the jurisdiction offices; and

7202 (iii) a mailing address and telephone number.

7203 Section 134. Section **20A-5-403.5** is amended to read:

7204 **20A-5-403.5. Ballot drop boxes -- Notice.**

7205 (1) An election officer:

7206 (a) shall designate at least one ballot drop box in each municipality and reservation  
7207 located in the jurisdiction to which the election relates;

7208 (b) may designate additional ballot drop boxes for the election officer's jurisdiction;

7209 (c) shall clearly mark each ballot drop box as an official ballot drop box for the election  
7210 officer's jurisdiction;

7211 (d) shall provide 24-hour video surveillance of each unattended ballot drop box; and

7212 (e) shall post a sign on or near each unattended ballot drop box indicating that the  
7213 ballot drop box is under 24-hour video surveillance.

7214 (2) Except as provided in Section **20A-1-308** or Subsection (5), the election officer

7215 shall, at least [~~19~~] 28 days before the date of the election, provide notice of the location of each  
7216 ballot drop box designated under Subsection (1)[~~1~~], by publishing notice for the jurisdiction  
7217 holding the election, as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least 28 days before  
7218 the day of the election.

7219 [~~(a) (i) by publishing notice in at least one issue of a newspaper of general circulation~~  
7220 ~~in the jurisdiction holding the election;~~]

7221 [~~(ii) by posting one notice, and at least one additional notice per 2,000 population of~~  
7222 ~~the jurisdiction holding the election, in places within the jurisdiction that are most likely to give~~  
7223 ~~notice to the residents in the jurisdiction, subject to a maximum of 10 notices, or]~~

7224 [~~(iii) by mailing notice to each registered voter in the jurisdiction holding the election;~~]

7225 [~~(b) by posting notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section~~  
7226 ~~[63A-16-601](#), for 19 days before the day of the election; and]~~

7227 [~~(c) by posting notice on the jurisdiction's website for 19 days before the day of the~~  
7228 ~~election.~~]

7229 (3) Instead of including the location of ballot drop boxes, a notice required under  
7230 Subsection (2) may specify the following sources where a voter may view or obtain a copy of  
7231 all ballot drop box locations:

7232 (a) the jurisdiction's website;

7233 (b) the physical address of the jurisdiction's offices; and

7234 (c) a mailing address and telephone number.

7235 (4) The election officer shall include in the notice described in Subsection (2):

7236 (a) the address of the Statewide Electronic Voter Information Website and, if available,  
7237 the address of the election officer's website, with a statement indicating that the election officer  
7238 will post on the website the location of each ballot drop box, including any changes to the  
7239 location of a ballot drop box and the location of additional ballot drop boxes; and

7240 (b) a phone number that a voter may call to obtain information regarding the location  
7241 of a ballot drop box.

7242 (5) (a) Except as provided in Section [20A-1-308](#), the election officer may, after the  
7243 deadline described in Subsection (2):

7244 (i) if necessary, change the location of a ballot drop box; or

7245 (ii) if the election officer determines that the number of ballot drop boxes is

7246 insufficient due to the number of registered voters who are voting, designate additional ballot  
7247 drop boxes.

7248 (b) Except as provided in Section 20A-1-308, if an election officer changes the  
7249 location of a ballot box or designates an additional ballot drop box location, the election officer  
7250 shall, as soon as is reasonably possible, give notice of the changed ballot drop box location or  
7251 the additional ballot drop box location:

7252 (i) to the lieutenant governor, for posting on the Statewide Voter Information Website;

7253 (ii) by posting the information on the website of the election officer, if available; and

7254 (iii) by posting notice:

7255 (A) for a change in the location of a ballot drop box, at the new location and, if  
7256 possible, the old location; and

7257 (B) for an additional ballot drop box location, at the additional ballot drop box  
7258 location.

7259 (6) An election officer may, at any time, authorize two or more poll workers to remove  
7260 a ballot drop box from a location, or to remove ballots from a ballot drop box for processing.

7261 (7) (a) At least two poll workers must be present when a poll worker collects ballots  
7262 from a ballot drop box and delivers the ballots to the location where the ballots will be opened  
7263 and counted.

7264 (b) An election officer shall ensure that the chain of custody of ballots placed in a  
7265 ballot box are recorded and tracked from the time the ballots are removed from the ballot box  
7266 until the ballots are delivered to the location where the ballots will be opened and counted.

7267 Section 135. Section 20A-5-405 is amended to read:

7268 **20A-5-405. Election officer to provide ballots -- Notice of sample ballot.**

7269 (1) An election officer shall:

7270 (a) provide ballots for every election of public officers in which the voters, or any of  
7271 the voters, within the election officer's jurisdiction participate;

7272 (b) cause the name of every candidate whose nomination has been certified to or filed  
7273 with the election officer in the manner provided by law to be included on each ballot;

7274 (c) cause any ballot proposition that has qualified for the ballot as provided by law to  
7275 be included on each ballot;

7276 (d) ensure that the ballots are prepared and in the possession of the election officer

7277 before commencement of voting;

7278 (e) allow candidates and their agents and the sponsors of ballot propositions that have  
7279 qualified for the official ballot to inspect the ballots;

7280 (f) no later than 45 days before the day of the election, make sample ballots available  
7281 for inspection, in the same form as official ballots and that contain the same information as  
7282 official ballots, by:

7283 (i) posting a copy of the sample ballot in the election officer's office;

7284 (ii) sending a copy of the sample ballot to:

7285 (A) each candidate listed on the ballot; and

7286 (B) the lieutenant governor; and

7287 (iii) providing a copy of the sample ballot for the jurisdiction holding the election, as a  
7288 class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at least seven days;

7289 ~~[(iii) (A) posting one copy of the sample ballot, and at least one additional copy of the~~  
7290 ~~sample ballot per 2,000 population of the jurisdiction, in places within the jurisdiction that are~~  
7291 ~~most likely to give notice to the voters in the jurisdiction, subject to a maximum of 10 notices;~~  
7292 ~~or]~~

7293 ~~[(B) mailing a copy of the sample ballot to each registered voter who resides in the~~  
7294 ~~jurisdiction holding the election;]~~

7295 ~~[(iv) posting a copy of the sample ballot on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in~~  
7296 ~~Section 63A-16-601; and]~~

7297 ~~[(v) if the jurisdiction has a website, posting a copy of the sample ballot on the~~  
7298 ~~jurisdiction's website;]~~

7299 (g) deliver a copy of the sample ballot to poll workers for each polling place and direct  
7300 the poll workers to post the sample ballot as required by Section 20A-5-102; and

7301 (h) print and deliver, at the expense of the jurisdiction conducting the election, enough  
7302 ballots, sample ballots, and instructions to meet the voting demands of the qualified voters in  
7303 each voting precinct.

7304 (2) Instead of posting the entire sample ballot under Subsection ~~[(1)(f)(iii)(A)]~~  
7305 (1)(f)(iii), the election officer may post a statement that:

7306 (a) is entitled, "sample ballot";

7307 (b) includes the following: "A sample ballot for [indicate name of jurisdiction] for the

7308 upcoming [indicate type and date of election] may be obtained from the following sources:";  
7309 and

7310 (c) specifies the following sources where an individual may view or obtain a copy of  
7311 the sample ballot:

7312 (i) if the jurisdiction has a website, the jurisdiction's website;

7313 (ii) the physical address of the jurisdiction's offices; and

7314 (iii) a mailing address and telephone number.

7315 (3) (a) Each election officer shall, without delay, correct any error discovered in any  
7316 ballot, if the correction can be made without interfering with the timely distribution of the  
7317 ballots.

7318 (b) (i) If the election officer discovers an error or omission in a manual ballot, and it is  
7319 not possible to correct the error or omission, the election officer shall direct the poll workers to  
7320 make the necessary corrections on the manual ballots before the ballots are distributed.

7321 (ii) If the election officer discovers an error or omission in an electronic ballot and it is  
7322 not possible to correct the error or omission by revising the electronic ballot, the election  
7323 officer shall direct the poll workers to post notice of each error or omission with instructions on  
7324 how to correct each error or omission in a prominent position at each polling booth.

7325 (4) (a) If the election officer refuses or fails to correct an error or omission in a ballot, a  
7326 candidate or a candidate's agent may file a verified petition with the district court asserting that:

7327 (i) an error or omission has occurred in:

7328 (A) the publication of the name or description of a candidate;

7329 (B) the preparation or display of an electronic ballot; or

7330 (C) the posting of sample ballots or the printing of official manual ballots; and

7331 (ii) the election officer has failed to correct or provide for the correction of the error or  
7332 omission.

7333 (b) The district court shall issue an order requiring correction of any error in a ballot or  
7334 an order to show cause why the error should not be corrected if it appears to the court that the  
7335 error or omission has occurred and the election officer has failed to correct or provide for the  
7336 correction of the error or omission.

7337 (c) A party aggrieved by the district court's decision may appeal the matter to the Utah  
7338 Supreme Court within five days after the day on which the district court enters the decision.

7339 Section 136. Section 20A-7-103 is amended to read:

7340 **20A-7-103. Constitutional amendments and other questions submitted by the**  
7341 **Legislature -- Publication -- Ballot title -- Procedures for submission to popular vote.**

7342 (1) The procedures contained in this section govern when the Legislature submits a  
7343 proposed constitutional amendment or other question to the voters.

7344 (2) The lieutenant governor shall, not more than 60 days or less than 14 days before the  
7345 date of the election, publish the full text of the amendment, question, or statute [~~in at least one~~  
7346 ~~newspaper in every county of the state where a newspaper is published~~] for the state, as a class  
7347 A notice under Section 63G-28-102, through the date of the election.

7348 (3) The legislative general counsel shall:

7349 (a) entitle each proposed constitutional amendment "Constitutional Amendment \_\_\_"  
7350 and assign it a letter according to the requirements of Section 20A-6-107;

7351 (b) entitle each proposed question "Proposition Number \_\_\_" with the number assigned  
7352 to the proposition under Section 20A-6-107 placed in the blank;

7353 (c) draft and designate a ballot title for each proposed amendment or question  
7354 submitted by the Legislature that:

7355 (i) summarizes the subject matter of the amendment or question; and

7356 (ii) for a proposed constitutional amendment, summarizes any legislation that is  
7357 enacted and will become effective upon the voters' adoption of the proposed constitutional  
7358 amendment; and

7359 (d) deliver each letter or number and ballot title to the lieutenant governor.

7360 (4) The lieutenant governor shall certify the letter or number and ballot title of each  
7361 amendment or question to the county clerk of each county no later than 65 days before the date  
7362 of the election.

7363 (5) The county clerk of each county shall:

7364 (a) ensure that the letter or number and the ballot title of each amendment and question  
7365 prepared in accordance with this section are included in the sample ballots and official ballots;  
7366 and

7367 (b) publish the sample ballots and official ballots as provided by law.

7368 Section 137. Section 20A-7-204.1 is amended to read:

7369 **20A-7-204.1. Public hearings to be held before initiative petitions are circulated --**

7370 **Changes to an initiative and initial fiscal impact estimate.**

7371 (1) (a) After issuance of the initial fiscal impact estimate by the Office of the  
7372 Legislative Fiscal Analyst and before circulating initiative petitions for signature statewide,  
7373 sponsors of the initiative petition shall hold at least seven public hearings throughout Utah as  
7374 follows:

7375 (i) one in the Bear River region -- Box Elder, Cache, or Rich County;

7376 (ii) one in the Southwest region -- Beaver, Garfield, Iron, Kane, or Washington  
7377 County;

7378 (iii) one in the Mountain region -- Summit, Utah, or Wasatch County;

7379 (iv) one in the Central region -- Juab, Millard, Piute, Sanpete, Sevier, or Wayne  
7380 County;

7381 (v) one in the Southeast region -- Carbon, Emery, Grand, or San Juan County;

7382 (vi) one in the Uintah Basin region -- Daggett, Duchesne, or Uintah County; and

7383 (vii) one in the Wasatch Front region -- Davis, Morgan, Salt Lake, Tooele, or Weber  
7384 County.

7385 (b) Of the seven public hearings, the sponsors of the initiative shall hold at least two of  
7386 the public hearings in a first or second class county, but not in the same county.

7387 (c) The sponsors may not hold a public hearing described in this section until the later  
7388 of:

7389 (i) one day after the day on which a sponsor receives a copy of the initial fiscal impact  
7390 estimate under Subsection [20A-7-202.5\(3\)\(b\)](#); or

7391 (ii) if three or more sponsors file a petition challenging the accuracy of the initial fiscal  
7392 impact statement under Section [20A-7-202.5](#), the day after the day on which the action is final.

7393 (2) (a) The sponsors shall~~[:(a)]~~, before 5 p.m. at least [~~three~~] seven calendar days  
7394 before the date of the public hearing, provide written notice of the public hearing, including the  
7395 time, date, and location of the public hearing, to:

7396 (i) the lieutenant governor for posting on the state's website; [~~and~~]

7397 (ii) each state senator, state representative, and county commission or county council  
7398 member who is elected in whole or in part from the region where the public hearing will be  
7399 held; and

7400 (iii) each county clerk from the region where the public hearing will be held.

7401 (b) A county clerk who receives a notice from a sponsor under Subsection (2)(a) shall  
7402 publish written notice of the public hearing~~[, including the time, date, and location of the~~  
7403 public hearing, in each county in the region where the public hearing will be held:] for the  
7404 county, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at least three days before the day of  
7405 the public hearing.

7406 (c) A county clerk may bill the sponsors of the initiative petition for the cost of  
7407 preparing, printing, and publishing the notice required under Subsection (2)(b).

7408 ~~[(i) (A) at least three calendar days before the day of the public hearing, in a newspaper~~  
7409 ~~of general circulation in the county;]~~

7410 ~~[(B) if there is no newspaper of general circulation in the county, at least three calendar~~  
7411 ~~days before the day of the public hearing, by posting one copy of the notice, and at least one~~  
7412 ~~additional copy of the notice per 2,000 population of the county, in places within the county~~  
7413 ~~that are most likely to give notice to the residents of the county; or]~~

7414 ~~[(C) at least seven days before the day of the public hearing, by mailing notice to each~~  
7415 ~~residence in the county;]~~

7416 ~~[(ii) on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601, for at least~~  
7417 ~~three calendar days before the day of the public hearing;]~~

7418 ~~[(iii) in accordance with Section 45-1-101, for at least three calendar days before the~~  
7419 ~~day of the public hearing; and]~~

7420 ~~[(iv) on the county's website for at least three calendar days before the day of the public~~  
7421 ~~hearing;]~~

7422 (3) If the initiative petition proposes a tax increase, the written notice described in  
7423 Subsection (2) shall include the following statement, in bold, in the same font and point size as  
7424 the largest font and point size appearing in the notice:

7425 "This initiative petition seeks to increase the current (insert name of tax) rate by (insert  
7426 the tax percentage difference) percent, resulting in a(n) (insert the tax percentage increase)  
7427 percent increase in the current tax rate."

7428 (4) (a) During the public hearing, the sponsors shall either:

7429 (i) video tape or audio tape the public hearing and, when the hearing is complete,  
7430 deposit the complete audio or video tape of the meeting with the lieutenant governor; or

7431 (ii) take comprehensive minutes of the public hearing, detailing the names and titles of

7432 each speaker and summarizing each speaker's comments.

7433 (b) The lieutenant governor shall make copies of the tapes or minutes available to the  
7434 public.

7435 (c) For each public hearing, the sponsors shall:

7436 (i) during the entire time that the public hearing is held, post a copy of the initial fiscal  
7437 impact statement in a conspicuous location at the entrance to the room where the sponsors hold  
7438 the public hearing; and

7439 (ii) place at least 50 copies of the initial fiscal impact statement, for distribution to  
7440 public hearing attendees, in a conspicuous location at the entrance to the room where the  
7441 sponsors hold the public hearing.

7442 (5) (a) Before 5 p.m. within 14 days after the day on which the sponsors conduct the  
7443 seventh public hearing described in Subsection (1)(a), and before circulating an initiative  
7444 petition for signatures, the sponsors of the initiative petition may change the text of the  
7445 proposed law if:

7446 (i) a change to the text is:

7447 (A) germane to the text of the proposed law filed with the lieutenant governor under  
7448 Section [20A-7-202](#); and

7449 (B) consistent with the requirements of Subsection [20A-7-202\(5\)](#); and

7450 (ii) each sponsor signs, attested to by a notary public, an application addendum to  
7451 change the text of the proposed law.

7452 (b) (i) Within three working days after the day on which the lieutenant governor  
7453 receives an application addendum to change the text of the proposed law in an initiative  
7454 petition, the lieutenant governor shall submit a copy of the application addendum to the Office  
7455 of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst.

7456 (ii) The Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst shall update the initial fiscal impact  
7457 estimate by following the procedures and requirements of Section [20A-7-202.5](#) to reflect a  
7458 change to the text of the proposed law.

7459 Section 138. Section [20A-7-402](#) is amended to read:

7460 **20A-7-402. Local voter information pamphlet -- Notice -- Contents -- Limitations**  
7461 **-- Preparation -- Statement on front cover.**

7462 (1) The county or municipality that is subject to a ballot proposition shall prepare a

7463 local voter information pamphlet that complies with the requirements of this part.

7464 (2) (a) Within the time requirements described in Subsection (2)(c)(i), a municipality  
7465 that is subject to a special local ballot proposition shall provide a notice that complies with the  
7466 requirements of Subsection (2)(c)(ii) to the municipality's residents by~~[-]~~ publishing the notice  
7467 for the municipality, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for the time period set  
7468 under Subsection (2)(c)(i).

7469 [~~(i) if the municipality regularly mails a newsletter, utility bill, or other material to the~~  
7470 ~~municipality's residents, including the notice with a newsletter, utility bill, or other material;]~~

7471 [~~(ii) posting the notice, until after the deadline described in Subsection (2)(d) has~~  
7472 ~~passed, on:]~~

7473 [~~(A) the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601; and]~~

7474 [~~(B) the home page of the municipality's website, if the municipality has a website;~~  
7475 ~~and]~~

7476 [~~(iii) sending the notice electronically to each individual in the municipality for whom~~  
7477 ~~the municipality has an email address.]~~

7478 (b) A county that is subject to a special local ballot proposition shall~~[-]~~ publish a notice  
7479 that complies with the requirements of Subsection (2)(c)(ii) for the county, as a class A notice  
7480 under Section 63G-28-102.

7481 [~~(i) send an electronic notice that complies with the requirements of Subsection~~  
7482 ~~(2)(c)(ii) to each individual in the county for whom the county has an email address; or]~~

7483 [~~(ii) until after the deadline described in Subsection (2)(d) has passed, post a notice that~~  
7484 ~~complies with the requirements of Subsection (2)(c)(ii) on:]~~

7485 [~~(A) the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601; and]~~

7486 [~~(B) the home page of the county's website.]~~

7487 (c) A municipality or county that [~~mails, sends, or posts~~] publishes a notice under  
7488 Subsection (2)(a) or (b) shall:

7489 (i) [~~mail, send, or post~~] publish the notice:

7490 (A) not less than 90 days before the date of the election at which a special local ballot  
7491 proposition will be voted upon; or

7492 (B) if the requirements of Subsection (2)(c)(i)(A) cannot be met, as soon as practicable  
7493 after the special local ballot proposition is approved to be voted upon in an election; and

- 7494 (ii) ensure that the notice contains:
- 7495 (A) the ballot title for the special local ballot proposition;
- 7496 (B) instructions on how to file a request under Subsection (2)(d); and
- 7497 (C) the deadline described in Subsection (2)(d).
- 7498 (d) To prepare a written argument for or against a special local ballot proposition, an
- 7499 eligible voter shall file a request with the election officer before 5 p.m. no later than 64 days
- 7500 before the day of the election at which the special local ballot proposition is to be voted on.
- 7501 (e) If more than one eligible voter requests the opportunity to prepare a written
- 7502 argument for or against a special local ballot proposition, the election officer shall make the
- 7503 final designation in accordance with the following order of priority:
- 7504 (i) sponsors have priority in preparing an argument regarding a special local ballot
- 7505 proposition; and
- 7506 (ii) members of the local legislative body have priority over others if a majority of the
- 7507 local legislative body supports the written argument.
- 7508 (f) The election officer shall grant a request described in Subsection (2)(d) or (e) no
- 7509 later than 60 days before the day of the election at which the ballot proposition is to be voted
- 7510 on.
- 7511 (g) (i) A sponsor of a special local ballot proposition may prepare a written argument in
- 7512 favor of the special local ballot proposition.
- 7513 (ii) Subject to Subsection (2)(e), an eligible voter opposed to the special local ballot
- 7514 proposition who submits a request under Subsection (2)(d) may prepare a written argument
- 7515 against the special local ballot proposition.
- 7516 (h) An eligible voter who submits a written argument under this section in relation to a
- 7517 special local ballot proposition shall:
- 7518 (i) ensure that the written argument does not exceed 500 words in length, not counting
- 7519 the information described in Subsection (2)(h)(ii) or (iv);
- 7520 (ii) list, at the end of the argument, at least one, but no more than five, names as
- 7521 sponsors;
- 7522 (iii) submit the written argument to the election officer before 5 p.m. no later than 55
- 7523 days before the election day on which the ballot proposition will be submitted to the voters;
- 7524 (iv) list in the argument, immediately after the eligible voter's name, the eligible voter's

7525 residential address; and

7526 (v) submit with the written argument the eligible voter's name, residential address,  
7527 postal address, email address if available, and phone number.

7528 (i) An election officer shall refuse to accept and publish an argument submitted after  
7529 the deadline described in Subsection (2)(h)(iii).

7530 (3) (a) An election officer who timely receives the written arguments in favor of and  
7531 against a special local ballot proposition shall, within one business day after the day on which  
7532 the election office receives both written arguments, send, via mail or email:

7533 (i) a copy of the written argument in favor of the special local ballot proposition to the  
7534 eligible voter who submitted the written argument against the special local ballot proposition;  
7535 and

7536 (ii) a copy of the written argument against the special local ballot proposition to the  
7537 eligible voter who submitted the written argument in favor of the special local ballot  
7538 proposition.

7539 (b) The eligible voter who submitted a timely written argument in favor of the special  
7540 local ballot proposition:

7541 (i) may submit to the election officer a written rebuttal argument of the written  
7542 argument against the special local ballot proposition;

7543 (ii) shall ensure that the written rebuttal argument does not exceed 250 words in length,  
7544 not counting the information described in Subsection (2)(h)(ii) or (iv); and

7545 (iii) shall submit the written rebuttal argument before 5 p.m. no later than 45 days  
7546 before the election day on which the special local ballot proposition will be submitted to the  
7547 voters.

7548 (c) The eligible voter who submitted a timely written argument against the special local  
7549 ballot proposition:

7550 (i) may submit to the election officer a written rebuttal argument of the written  
7551 argument in favor of the special local ballot proposition;

7552 (ii) shall ensure that the written rebuttal argument does not exceed 250 words in length,  
7553 not counting the information described in Subsection (2)(h)(ii) or (iv); and

7554 (iii) shall submit the written rebuttal argument before 5 p.m. no later than 45 days  
7555 before the election day on which the special local ballot proposition will be submitted to the

7556 voters.

7557 (d) An election officer shall refuse to accept and publish a written rebuttal argument in  
7558 relation to a special local ballot proposition that is submitted after the deadline described in  
7559 Subsection (3)(b)(iii) or (3)(c)(iii).

7560 (4) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (4)(b), in relation to a special local ballot  
7561 proposition:

7562 (i) an eligible voter may not modify a written argument or a written rebuttal argument  
7563 after the eligible voter submits the written argument or written rebuttal argument to the election  
7564 officer; and

7565 (ii) a person other than the eligible voter described in Subsection (4)(a)(i) may not  
7566 modify a written argument or a written rebuttal argument.

7567 (b) The election officer, and the eligible voter who submits a written argument or  
7568 written rebuttal argument in relation to a special local ballot proposition, may jointly agree to  
7569 modify a written argument or written rebuttal argument in order to:

7570 (i) correct factual, grammatical, or spelling errors; and

7571 (ii) reduce the number of words to come into compliance with the requirements of this  
7572 section.

7573 (c) An election officer shall refuse to accept and publish a written argument or written  
7574 rebuttal argument in relation to a special local ballot proposition if the eligible voter who  
7575 submits the written argument or written rebuttal argument fails to negotiate, in good faith, to  
7576 modify the written argument or written rebuttal argument in accordance with Subsection (4)(b).

7577 (5) In relation to a special local ballot proposition, an election officer may designate  
7578 another eligible voter to take the place of an eligible voter described in this section if the  
7579 original eligible voter is, due to injury, illness, death, or another circumstance, unable to  
7580 continue to fulfill the duties of an eligible voter described in this section.

7581 (6) Sponsors whose written argument in favor of a standard local ballot proposition is  
7582 included in a proposition information pamphlet under Section [20A-7-401.5](#):

7583 (a) may, if a written argument against the standard local ballot proposition is included  
7584 in the proposition information pamphlet, submit a written rebuttal argument to the election  
7585 officer;

7586 (b) shall ensure that the written rebuttal argument does not exceed 250 words in length;

7587 and

7588 (c) shall submit the written rebuttal argument no later than 45 days before the election  
7589 day on which the standard local ballot proposition will be submitted to the voters.

7590 (7) (a) A county or municipality that submitted a written argument against a standard  
7591 local ballot proposition that is included in a proposition information pamphlet under Section  
7592 [20A-7-401.5](#):

7593 (i) may, if a written argument in favor of the standard local ballot proposition is  
7594 included in the proposition information pamphlet, submit a written rebuttal argument to the  
7595 election officer;

7596 (ii) shall ensure that the written rebuttal argument does not exceed 250 words in length;  
7597 and

7598 (iii) shall submit the written rebuttal argument no later than 45 days before the election  
7599 day on which the ballot proposition will be submitted to the voters.

7600 (b) If a county or municipality submits more than one written rebuttal argument under  
7601 Subsection (7)(a)(i), the election officer shall select one of the written rebuttal arguments,  
7602 giving preference to a written rebuttal argument submitted by a member of a local legislative  
7603 body.

7604 (8) (a) An election officer shall refuse to accept and publish a written rebuttal argument  
7605 that is submitted after the deadline described in Subsection (6)(c) or (7)(a)(iii).

7606 (b) Before an election officer publishes a local voter information pamphlet under this  
7607 section, a written rebuttal argument is a draft for purposes of Title 63G, Chapter 2, Government  
7608 Records Access and Management Act.

7609 (c) An election officer who receives a written rebuttal argument described in this  
7610 section may not, before publishing the local voter information pamphlet described in this  
7611 section, disclose the written rebuttal argument, or any information contained in the written  
7612 rebuttal argument, to any person who may in any way be involved in preparing an opposing  
7613 rebuttal argument.

7614 (9) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (9)(b), a person may not modify a written  
7615 rebuttal argument after the written rebuttal argument is submitted to the election officer.

7616 (b) The election officer, and the person who submits a written rebuttal argument, may  
7617 jointly agree to modify a written rebuttal argument in order to:

7618 (i) correct factual, grammatical, or spelling errors; or  
7619 (ii) reduce the number of words to come into compliance with the requirements of this  
7620 section.

7621 (c) An election officer shall refuse to accept and publish a written rebuttal argument if  
7622 the person who submits the written rebuttal argument:

7623 (i) fails to negotiate, in good faith, to modify the written rebuttal argument in  
7624 accordance with Subsection (9)(b); or

7625 (ii) does not timely submit the written rebuttal argument to the election officer.

7626 (d) An election officer shall make a good faith effort to negotiate a modification  
7627 described in Subsection (9)(b) in an expedited manner.

7628 (10) An election officer may designate another person to take the place of a person who  
7629 submits a written rebuttal argument in relation to a standard local ballot proposition if the  
7630 person is, due to injury, illness, death, or another circumstance, unable to continue to fulfill the  
7631 person's duties.

7632 (11) (a) The local voter information pamphlet shall include a copy of the initial fiscal  
7633 impact estimate and the legal impact statement prepared for each initiative under Section  
7634 [20A-7-502.5](#).

7635 (b) If the initiative proposes a tax increase, the local voter information pamphlet shall  
7636 include the following statement in bold type:

7637 "This initiative seeks to increase the current (insert name of tax) rate by (insert the tax  
7638 percentage difference) percent, resulting in a(n) (insert the tax percentage increase) percent  
7639 increase in the current tax rate."

7640 (12) (a) In preparing the local voter information pamphlet, the election officer shall:

7641 (i) ensure that the written arguments are printed on the same sheet of paper upon which  
7642 the ballot proposition is also printed;

7643 (ii) ensure that the following statement is printed on the front cover or the heading of  
7644 the first page of the printed written arguments:

7645 "The arguments for or against a ballot proposition are the opinions of the authors.";

7646 (iii) pay for the printing and binding of the local voter information pamphlet; and

7647 (iv) not less than 15 days before, but not more than 45 days before, the election at  
7648 which the ballot proposition will be voted on, distribute, by mail or carrier, to each registered

7649 voter entitled to vote on the ballot proposition:

7650 (A) a voter information pamphlet; or

7651 (B) the notice described in Subsection (12)(c).

7652 (b) (i) If the language of the ballot proposition exceeds 500 words in length, the  
7653 election officer may summarize the ballot proposition in 500 words or less.

7654 (ii) The summary shall state where a complete copy of the ballot proposition is  
7655 available for public review.

7656 (c) (i) The election officer may distribute a notice printed on a postage prepaid,  
7657 preaddressed return form that a person may use to request delivery of a voter information  
7658 pamphlet by mail.

7659 (ii) The notice described in Subsection (12)(c)(i) shall include:

7660 (A) the address of the Statewide Electronic Voter Information Website authorized by  
7661 Section 20A-7-801; and

7662 (B) the phone number a voter may call to request delivery of a voter information  
7663 pamphlet by mail or carrier.

7664 Section 139. Section 20A-9-203 is amended to read:

7665 **20A-9-203. Declarations of candidacy -- Municipal general elections -- Notice of**  
7666 **candidates.**

7667 (1) An individual may become a candidate for any municipal office if:

7668 (a) the individual is a registered voter; and

7669 (b) (i) the individual has resided within the municipality in which the individual seeks  
7670 to hold elective office for the 12 consecutive months immediately before the date of the  
7671 election; or

7672 (ii) the territory in which the individual resides was annexed into the municipality, the  
7673 individual has resided within the annexed territory or the municipality the 12 consecutive  
7674 months immediately before the date of the election.

7675 (2) (a) For purposes of determining whether an individual meets the residency  
7676 requirement of Subsection (1)(b)(i) in a municipality that was incorporated less than 12 months  
7677 before the election, the municipality is considered to have been incorporated 12 months before  
7678 the date of the election.

7679 (b) In addition to the requirements of Subsection (1), each candidate for a municipal

7680 council position shall, if elected from a district, be a resident of the council district from which  
7681 the candidate is elected.

7682 (c) In accordance with Utah Constitution, Article IV, Section 6, a mentally incompetent  
7683 individual, an individual convicted of a felony, or an individual convicted of treason or a crime  
7684 against the elective franchise may not hold office in this state until the right to hold elective  
7685 office is restored under Section 20A-2-101.3 or 20A-2-101.5.

7686 (3) (a) An individual seeking to become a candidate for a municipal office shall,  
7687 regardless of the nomination method by which the individual is seeking to become a candidate:

7688 (i) except as provided in Subsection (3)(b) or Title 20A, Chapter 4, Part 6, Municipal  
7689 Alternate Voting Methods Pilot Project, and subject to Subsection 20A-9-404(3)(e), file a  
7690 declaration of candidacy, in person with the city recorder or town clerk, during the office hours  
7691 described in Section 10-3-301 and not later than the close of those office hours, between June 1  
7692 and June 7 of any odd-numbered year; and

7693 (ii) pay the filing fee, if one is required by municipal ordinance.

7694 (b) Subject to Subsection (5)(b), an individual may designate an agent to file a  
7695 declaration of candidacy with the city recorder or town clerk if:

7696 (i) the individual is located outside of the state during the entire filing period;

7697 (ii) the designated agent appears in person before the city recorder or town clerk;

7698 (iii) the individual communicates with the city recorder or town clerk using an  
7699 electronic device that allows the individual and city recorder or town clerk to see and hear each  
7700 other; and

7701 (iv) the individual provides the city recorder or town clerk with an email address to  
7702 which the city recorder or town clerk may send the individual the copies described in  
7703 Subsection (4).

7704 (c) Any resident of a municipality may nominate a candidate for a municipal office by:

7705 (i) except as provided in Title 20A, Chapter 4, Part 6, Municipal Alternate Voting  
7706 Methods Pilot Project, filing a nomination petition with the city recorder or town clerk during  
7707 the office hours described in Section 10-3-301 and not later than the close of those office  
7708 hours, between June 1 and June 7 of any odd-numbered year that includes signatures in support  
7709 of the nomination petition of the lesser of at least:

7710 (A) 25 registered voters who reside in the municipality; or

7711 (B) 20% of the registered voters who reside in the municipality; and  
7712 (ii) paying the filing fee, if one is required by municipal ordinance.

7713 (4) (a) Before the filing officer may accept any declaration of candidacy or nomination  
7714 petition, the filing officer shall:

7715 (i) read to the prospective candidate or individual filing the petition the constitutional  
7716 and statutory qualification requirements for the office that the candidate is seeking;

7717 (ii) require the candidate or individual filing the petition to state whether the candidate  
7718 meets the requirements described in Subsection (4)(a)(i); and

7719 (iii) inform the candidate or the individual filing the petition that an individual who  
7720 holds a municipal elected office may not, at the same time, hold a county elected office.

7721 (b) If the prospective candidate does not meet the qualification requirements for the  
7722 office, the filing officer may not accept the declaration of candidacy or nomination petition.

7723 (c) If it appears that the prospective candidate meets the requirements of candidacy, the  
7724 filing officer shall:

7725 (i) inform the candidate that the candidate's name will appear on the ballot as it is  
7726 written on the declaration of candidacy;

7727 (ii) provide the candidate with a copy of the current campaign financial disclosure laws  
7728 for the office the candidate is seeking and inform the candidate that failure to comply will  
7729 result in disqualification as a candidate and removal of the candidate's name from the ballot;

7730 (iii) provide the candidate with a copy of Section 20A-7-801 regarding the Statewide  
7731 Electronic Voter Information Website Program and inform the candidate of the submission  
7732 deadline under Subsection 20A-7-801(4)(a);

7733 (iv) provide the candidate with a copy of the pledge of fair campaign practices  
7734 described under Section 20A-9-206 and inform the candidate that:

7735 (A) signing the pledge is voluntary; and

7736 (B) signed pledges shall be filed with the filing officer; and

7737 (v) accept the declaration of candidacy or nomination petition.

7738 (d) If the candidate elects to sign the pledge of fair campaign practices, the filing  
7739 officer shall:

7740 (i) accept the candidate's pledge; and

7741 (ii) if the candidate has filed for a partisan office, provide a certified copy of the

7742 candidate's pledge to the chair of the county or state political party of which the candidate is a  
7743 member.

7744 (5) (a) The declaration of candidacy shall be in substantially the following form:

7745 "I, (print name) \_\_\_\_, being first sworn and under penalty of perjury, say that I reside at  
7746 \_\_\_\_ Street, City of \_\_\_\_, County of \_\_\_\_, state of Utah, Zip Code \_\_\_\_, Telephone Number  
7747 (if any) \_\_\_\_; that I am a registered voter; and that I am a candidate for the office of \_\_\_\_  
7748 (stating the term). I will meet the legal qualifications required of candidates for this office. If  
7749 filing via a designated agent, I attest that I will be out of the state of Utah during the entire  
7750 candidate filing period. I will file all campaign financial disclosure reports as required by law  
7751 and I understand that failure to do so will result in my disqualification as a candidate for this  
7752 office and removal of my name from the ballot. I request that my name be printed upon the  
7753 applicable official ballots. (Signed) \_\_\_\_\_

7754 Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me by \_\_\_\_ on this  
7755 \_\_\_\_\_(month\day\year).

7756 (Signed) \_\_\_\_\_ (Clerk or other officer qualified to administer oath)."

7757 (b) An agent designated under Subsection (3)(b) to file a declaration of candidacy may  
7758 not sign the form described in Subsection (5)(a).

7759 (c) (i) A nomination petition shall be in substantially the following form:

7760 "NOMINATION PETITION

7761 The undersigned residents of (name of municipality), being registered voters, nominate  
7762 (name of nominee) for the office of (name of office) for the (length of term of office)."

7763 (ii) The remainder of the petition shall contain lines and columns for the signatures of  
7764 individuals signing the petition and each individual's address and phone number.

7765 (6) If the declaration of candidacy or nomination petition fails to state whether the  
7766 nomination is for the two-year or four-year term, the clerk shall consider the nomination to be  
7767 for the four-year term.

7768 (7) (a) The clerk shall verify with the county clerk that all candidates are registered  
7769 voters.

7770 (b) Any candidate who is not registered to vote is disqualified and the clerk may not  
7771 print the candidate's name on the ballot.

7772 (8) Immediately after expiration of the period for filing a declaration of candidacy, the  
7773 clerk shall:

7774 (a) publicize a list of the names of the candidates as they will appear on the ballot[?] by  
7775 publishing the list for the municipality, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for  
7776 seven days; and

7777 [~~(i)(A) by publishing the list in at least two successive publications of a newspaper of~~  
7778 ~~general circulation in the municipality;~~]

7779 [~~(B) by posting one copy of the list, and at least one additional copy of the list per~~  
7780 ~~2,000 population of the municipality, in places within the municipality that are most likely to~~  
7781 ~~give notice to the voters in the municipality, subject to a maximum of 10 lists; or]~~

7782 [~~(C) by mailing the list to each registered voter in the municipality;~~]

7783 [~~(ii) by posting the list on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section~~  
7784 ~~63A-16-601, for seven days; and]~~

7785 [~~(iii) if the municipality has a website, by posting the list on the municipality's website~~  
7786 ~~for seven days; and]~~

7787 (b) notify the lieutenant governor of the names of the candidates as they will appear on  
7788 the ballot.

7789 (9) Except as provided in Subsection (10)(c), an individual may not amend a  
7790 declaration of candidacy or nomination petition filed under this section after the candidate  
7791 filing period ends.

7792 (10) (a) A declaration of candidacy or nomination petition that an individual files under  
7793 this section is valid unless a person files a written objection with the clerk before 5 p.m. within  
7794 10 days after the last day for filing.

7795 (b) If a person files an objection, the clerk shall:

7796 (i) mail or personally deliver notice of the objection to the affected candidate  
7797 immediately; and

7798 (ii) decide any objection within 48 hours after the objection is filed.

7799 (c) If the clerk sustains the objection, the candidate may, before 5 p.m. within three  
7800 days after the day on which the clerk sustains the objection, correct the problem for which the  
7801 objection is sustained by amending the candidate's declaration of candidacy or nomination  
7802 petition, or by filing a new declaration of candidacy.

7803 (d) (i) The clerk's decision upon objections to form is final.

7804 (ii) The clerk's decision upon substantive matters is reviewable by a district court if  
7805 prompt application is made to the district court.

7806 (iii) The decision of the district court is final unless the Supreme Court, in the exercise  
7807 of its discretion, agrees to review the lower court decision.

7808 (11) A candidate who qualifies for the ballot under this section may withdraw as a  
7809 candidate by filing a written affidavit with the municipal clerk.

7810 Section 140. Section **26-8a-405.3** is amended to read:

7811 **26-8a-405.3. Use of competitive sealed proposals -- Procedure -- Notice -- Appeal**  
7812 **rights.**

7813 (1) (a) Competitive sealed proposals for paramedic or 911 ambulance services under  
7814 Section [26-8a-405.2](#), or for non-911 services under Section [26-8a-405.4](#), shall be solicited  
7815 through a request for proposal and the provisions of this section.

7816 (b) The governing body of the political subdivision shall approve the request for  
7817 proposal prior to the notice of the request for proposals under Subsection (1)(c).

7818 (c) ~~[Notice]~~ The governing body of the political subdivision shall publish notice of the  
7819 request for proposals ~~[shall be published:]~~ for the political subdivision, as a class A notice  
7820 under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least 20 days.

7821 ~~[(i) by posting the notice for at least 20 days in at least five public places in the county;~~  
7822 ~~and]~~

7823 ~~[(ii) by posting the notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section~~  
7824 ~~[63A-16-601](#), for at least 20 days.]~~

7825 (2) (a) Proposals shall be opened so as to avoid disclosure of contents to competing  
7826 offerors during the process of negotiations.

7827 (b) (i) Subsequent to the published notice, and prior to selecting an applicant, the  
7828 political subdivision shall hold a presubmission conference with interested applicants for the  
7829 purpose of assuring full understanding of, and responsiveness to, solicitation requirements.

7830 (ii) A political subdivision shall allow at least 90 days from the presubmission  
7831 conference for the proposers to submit proposals.

7832 (c) Subsequent to the presubmission conference, the political subdivision may issue  
7833 addenda to the request for proposals. An addenda to a request for proposal shall be finalized

7834 and posted by the political subdivision at least 45 days before the day on which the proposal  
7835 must be submitted.

7836 (d) Offerors to the request for proposals shall be accorded fair and equal treatment with  
7837 respect to any opportunity for discussion and revisions of proposals, and revisions may be  
7838 permitted after submission and before a contract is awarded for the purpose of obtaining best  
7839 and final offers.

7840 (e) In conducting discussions, there shall be no disclosures of any information derived  
7841 from proposals submitted by competing offerors.

7842 (3) (a) (i) A political subdivision may select an applicant approved by the department  
7843 under Section 26-8a-404 to provide 911 ambulance or paramedic services by contract to the  
7844 most responsible offeror as defined in Section 63G-6a-103.

7845 (ii) An award under Subsection (3)(a)(i) shall be made to the responsible offeror whose  
7846 proposal is determined in writing to be the most advantageous to the political subdivision,  
7847 taking into consideration price and the evaluation factors set forth in the request for proposal.

7848 (b) The applicants who are approved under Section 26-8a-405 and who are selected  
7849 under this section may be the political subdivision issuing the request for competitive sealed  
7850 proposals, or any other public entity or entities, any private person or entity, or any  
7851 combination thereof.

7852 (c) A political subdivision may reject all of the competitive proposals.

7853 (4) In seeking competitive sealed proposals and awarding contracts under this section,  
7854 a political subdivision:

7855 (a) shall apply the public convenience and necessity factors listed in Subsections  
7856 26-8a-408(2) through (6);

7857 (b) shall require the applicant responding to the proposal to disclose how the applicant  
7858 will meet performance standards in the request for proposal;

7859 (c) may not require or restrict an applicant to a certain method of meeting the  
7860 performance standards, including:

7861 (i) requiring ambulance medical personnel to also be a firefighter; or

7862 (ii) mandating that offerors use fire stations or dispatch services of the political  
7863 subdivision;

7864 (d) shall require an applicant to submit the proposal:

7865 (i) based on full cost accounting in accordance with generally accepted accounting  
7866 principals; and

7867 (ii) if the applicant is a governmental entity, in addition to the requirements of  
7868 Subsection (4)(e)(i), in accordance with generally accepted government auditing standards and  
7869 in compliance with the State of Utah Legal Compliance Audit Guide; and

7870 (e) shall set forth in the request for proposal:

7871 (i) the method for determining full cost accounting in accordance with generally  
7872 accepted accounting principles, and require an applicant to submit the proposal based on such  
7873 full cost accounting principles;

7874 (ii) guidelines established to further competition and provider accountability; and

7875 (iii) a list of the factors that will be considered by the political subdivision in the award  
7876 of the contract, including by percentage, the relative weight of the factors established under this  
7877 Subsection (4)(e), which may include such things as:

7878 (A) response times;

7879 (B) staging locations;

7880 (C) experience;

7881 (D) quality of care; and

7882 (E) cost, consistent with the cost accounting method in Subsection (4)(e)(i).

7883 (5) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of Title 63G, Chapter 6a, Utah Procurement  
7884 Code, to the contrary, the provisions of Title 63G, Chapter 6a, Utah Procurement Code, apply  
7885 to the procurement process required by this section, except as provided in Subsection (5)(c).

7886 (b) A procurement appeals panel described in Section [63G-6a-1702](#) shall have  
7887 jurisdiction to review and determine an appeal of an offeror under this section.

7888 (c) (i) An offeror may appeal the solicitation or award as provided by the political  
7889 subdivision's procedures. After all political subdivision appeal rights are exhausted, the offeror  
7890 may appeal under the provisions of Subsections (5)(a) and (b).

7891 (ii) A procurement appeals panel described in Section [63G-6a-1702](#) shall determine  
7892 whether the solicitation or award was made in accordance with the procedures set forth in this  
7893 section and Section [26-8a-405.2](#).

7894 (d) The determination of an issue of fact by the appeals board shall be final and  
7895 conclusive unless arbitrary and capricious or clearly erroneous as provided in Section

7896 63G-6a-1705.

7897 Section 141. Section 26-61a-303 is amended to read:

7898 **26-61a-303. Renewal -- Notice of available license.**

7899 (1) The department shall renew a license under this part every year if, at the time of  
7900 renewal:

7901 (a) the licensee meets the requirements of Section 26-61a-301;

7902 (b) the licensee pays the department a license renewal fee in an amount that, subject to  
7903 Subsection 26-61a-109(5), the department sets in accordance with Section 63J-1-504; and

7904 (c) if the medical cannabis pharmacy changes the operating plan described in Section  
7905 26-61a-304 that the department approved under Subsection 26-61a-301(2)(b)(iv), the  
7906 department approves the new operating plan.

7907 (2) (a) If a licensed medical cannabis pharmacy abandons the medical cannabis  
7908 pharmacy's license, the department shall publish notice of an available license[~~;~~], for the  
7909 geographic area in which the medical cannabis pharmacy license is available, as a class A  
7910 notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at least seven days.

7911 [~~(i) in a newspaper of general circulation for the geographic area in which the medical~~  
7912 ~~cannabis pharmacy license is available; or]~~

7913 [~~(ii) on the Utah Public Notice Website established in Section 63A-16-601.~~]

7914 (b) The department may establish criteria, in collaboration with the Division of  
7915 Professional Licensing and the Board of Pharmacy and in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter  
7916 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, to identify the medical cannabis pharmacy actions that  
7917 constitute abandonment of a medical cannabis pharmacy license.

7918 (3) If the department has not completed the necessary processes to make a  
7919 determination on a license renewal under Subsections (1)(a) and (c) before the expiration of a  
7920 license, the department may issue a conditional medical cannabis pharmacy license to a  
7921 licensed medical cannabis pharmacy that has applied for license renewal under this section and  
7922 paid the fee described in Subsection (1)(b).

7923 Section 142. Section 52-4-202 is amended to read:

7924 **52-4-202. Public notice of meetings -- Emergency meetings.**

7925 (1) (a) (i) A public body shall give not less than 24 hours' public notice of each  
7926 meeting.

7927 (ii) A specified body shall give not less than 24 hours' public notice of each meeting  
7928 that the specified body holds on the capitol hill complex.

7929 (b) The public notice required under Subsection (1)(a) shall include the meeting:

7930 (i) agenda;

7931 (ii) date;

7932 (iii) time; and

7933 (iv) place.

7934 (2) (a) In addition to the requirements under Subsection (1), a public body which holds  
7935 regular meetings that are scheduled in advance over the course of a year shall give public  
7936 notice at least once each year of its annual meeting schedule as provided in this section.

7937 (b) The public notice under Subsection (2)(a) shall specify the date, time, and place of  
7938 the scheduled meetings.

7939 (3) (a) A public body or specified body satisfies a requirement for public notice by[~~:]~~  
7940 publishing the notice for the public body's jurisdiction, as a class A notice under Section  
7941 63G-28-102, for at least 24 hours.

7942 [~~(i) posting written notice:]~~

7943 [~~(A) except for an electronic meeting held without an anchor location under Subsection~~  
7944 ~~52-4-207(4), at the principal office of the public body or specified body, or if no principal~~  
7945 ~~office exists, at the building where the meeting is to be held, and]~~

7946 [~~(B) on the Utah Public Notice Website created under Section 63A-16-601; and]~~

7947 [~~(ii) providing notice to:]~~

7948 [~~(A) at least one newspaper of general circulation within the geographic jurisdiction of~~  
7949 ~~the public body; or]~~

7950 [~~(B) a local media correspondent.]~~

7951 [~~(b) A public body or specified body is in compliance with the provisions of~~  
7952 ~~Subsection (3)(a)(ii) by providing notice to a newspaper or local media correspondent under~~  
7953 ~~the provisions of Subsection 63A-16-601(4)(d).]~~

7954 [(~~e~~)] (b) A public body whose limited resources make compliance with Subsection  
7955 (3)(a)(i)(B) difficult may request the Division of Archives and Records Service, created in  
7956 Section 63A-12-101, to provide technical assistance to help the public body in its effort to  
7957 comply.

7958 (4) A public body and a specified body are encouraged to develop and use additional  
7959 electronic means to provide notice of their meetings under Subsection (3).

7960 (5) (a) The notice requirement of Subsection (1) may be disregarded if:

7961 (i) because of unforeseen circumstances it is necessary for a public body or specified  
7962 body to hold an emergency meeting to consider matters of an emergency or urgent nature; and

7963 (ii) the public body or specified body gives the best notice practicable of:

7964 (A) the time and place of the emergency meeting; and

7965 (B) the topics to be considered at the emergency meeting.

7966 (b) An emergency meeting of a public body may not be held unless:

7967 (i) an attempt has been made to notify all the members of the public body; and

7968 (ii) a majority of the members of the public body approve the meeting.

7969 (6) (a) A public notice that is required to include an agenda under Subsection (1) shall  
7970 provide reasonable specificity to notify the public as to the topics to be considered at the  
7971 meeting. Each topic shall be listed under an agenda item on the meeting agenda.

7972 (b) Subject to the provisions of Subsection (6)(c), and at the discretion of the presiding  
7973 member of the public body, a topic raised by the public may be discussed during an open  
7974 meeting, even if the topic raised by the public was not included in the agenda or advance public  
7975 notice for the meeting.

7976 (c) Except as provided in Subsection (5), relating to emergency meetings, a public  
7977 body may not take final action on a topic in an open meeting unless the topic is:

7978 (i) listed under an agenda item as required by Subsection (6)(a); and

7979 (ii) included with the advance public notice required by this section.

7980 (7) Except as provided in this section, this chapter does not apply to a specified body.

7981 Section 143. Section **52-4-302** is amended to read:

7982 **52-4-302. Suit to void final action -- Limitation -- Exceptions.**

7983 (1) (a) Any final action taken in violation of Section [52-4-201](#), [52-4-202](#), [52-4-207](#), or  
7984 [52-4-209](#) is voidable by a court of competent jurisdiction.

7985 (b) A court may not void a final action taken by a public body for failure to comply  
7986 with the posting written notice requirements under Subsection [~~52-4-202(3)(a)(i)(B)~~]  
7987 [52-4-202\(3\)\(a\)](#) if:

7988 (i) the posting is made for a meeting that is held before April 1, 2009; or

7989 (ii) (A) the public body otherwise complies with the provisions of Section [52-4-202](#);  
7990 and

7991 (B) the failure was a result of unforeseen Internet hosting or communication  
7992 technology failure.

7993 (2) Except as provided under Subsection (3), a suit to void final action shall be  
7994 commenced within 90 days after the date of the action.

7995 (3) A suit to void final action concerning the issuance of bonds, notes, or other  
7996 evidences of indebtedness shall be commenced within 30 days after the date of the action.

7997 Section 144. Section **53B-7-101.5** is amended to read:

7998 **53B-7-101.5. Proposed tuition increases -- Notice -- Hearings.**

7999 (1) If an institution within the State System of Higher Education listed in Section  
8000 [53B-1-102](#) considers increasing tuition rates for undergraduate students in the process of  
8001 preparing or implementing its budget, it shall hold a meeting to receive public input and  
8002 response on the issue.

8003 (2) The institution shall advertise the hearing required under Subsection (1) using the  
8004 following procedure:

8005 (a) ~~[The]~~ the institution shall advertise ~~[its]~~ the institution's intent to consider an  
8006 increase in student tuition rates:

8007 (i) in the institution's student newspaper twice during a period of 10 days ~~[prior to]~~  
8008 before the meeting; and

8009 (ii) for each county where the institution has a campus, as a class A notice under  
8010 Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least 10 days before the meeting; and

8011 ~~[(ii) on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section [63A-16-601](#), for 10 days~~  
8012 ~~immediately before the meeting.]~~

8013 (b) ~~[The]~~ the advertisement shall state that the institution will meet on a certain day,  
8014 time, and place fixed in the advertisement, which shall not be less than seven days after the day  
8015 the ~~[second]~~ advertisement is published, for the purpose of hearing comments regarding the  
8016 proposed increase and to explain the reasons for the proposed increase.

8017 (3) The form and content of the notice shall be substantially as follows:

8018 "NOTICE OF PROPOSED TUITION INCREASE

8019 The (name of the higher education institution) is proposing to increase student tuition

8020 rates. This would be an increase of \_\_\_\_\_ %, which is an increase of \$\_\_\_\_\_ per semester  
8021 for a full-time resident undergraduate student. All concerned students and citizens are invited  
8022 to a public hearing on the proposed increase to be held at (meeting place) on (date) at (time)."

8023 (4) (a) The institution shall provide the following information to those in attendance at  
8024 the meeting required under Subsection (1):

8025 (i) the current year's student enrollment for:

8026 (A) the State System of Higher Education, if a systemwide increase is being  
8027 considered; or

8028 (B) the institution, if an increase is being considered for just a single institution;

8029 (ii) total tuition revenues for the current school year;

8030 (iii) projected student enrollment growth for the next school year and projected tuition  
8031 revenue increases from that anticipated growth; and

8032 (iv) a detailed accounting of how and where the increased tuition revenues would be  
8033 spent.

8034 (b) The enrollment and revenue data required under Subsection (4)(a) shall be broken  
8035 down into majors or departments if the proposed tuition increases are department or major  
8036 specific.

8037 (5) If the institution does not make a final decision on the proposed tuition increase at  
8038 the meeting, it shall announce the date, time, and place of the meeting where that determination  
8039 shall be made.

8040 Section 145. Section **53E-4-202** is amended to read:

8041 **53E-4-202. Core standards for Utah public schools -- Notice and hearing**  
8042 **requirements.**

8043 (1) (a) In establishing minimum standards related to curriculum and instruction  
8044 requirements under Section **53E-3-501**, the state board shall, in consultation with local school  
8045 boards, school superintendents, teachers, employers, and parents implement core standards for  
8046 Utah public schools that will enable students to, among other objectives:

8047 (i) communicate effectively, both verbally and through written communication;

8048 (ii) apply mathematics; and

8049 (iii) access, analyze, and apply information.

8050 (b) Except as provided in this public education code, the state board may recommend

- 8051 but may not require a local school board or charter school governing board to use:
- 8052 (i) a particular curriculum or instructional material; or
- 8053 (ii) a model curriculum or instructional material.
- 8054 (2) The state board shall, in establishing the core standards for Utah public schools:
- 8055 (a) identify the basic knowledge, skills, and competencies each student is expected to
- 8056 acquire or master as the student advances through the public education system; and
- 8057 (b) align with each other the core standards for Utah public schools and the
- 8058 assessments described in Section [53E-4-303](#).
- 8059 (3) The basic knowledge, skills, and competencies identified pursuant to Subsection
- 8060 (2)(a) shall increase in depth and complexity from year to year and focus on consistent and
- 8061 continual progress within and between grade levels and courses in the basic academic areas of:
- 8062 (a) English, including explicit phonics, spelling, grammar, reading, writing,
- 8063 vocabulary, speech, and listening; and
- 8064 (b) mathematics, including basic computational skills.
- 8065 (4) Before adopting core standards for Utah public schools, the state board shall:
- 8066 (a) publicize draft core standards for Utah public schools [~~on the state board's website~~
- 8067 ~~and the Utah Public Notice website created under Section [63A-16-601](#)~~] for the state, as a class
- 8068 A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least 90 days;
- 8069 (b) invite public comment on the draft core standards for Utah public schools for a
- 8070 period of not less than 90 days; and
- 8071 (c) conduct three public hearings that are held in different regions of the state on the
- 8072 draft core standards for Utah public schools.
- 8073 (5) LEA governing boards shall design their school programs, that are supported by
- 8074 generally accepted scientific standards of evidence, to focus on the core standards for Utah
- 8075 public schools with the expectation that each program will enhance or help achieve mastery of
- 8076 the core standards for Utah public schools.
- 8077 (6) Except as provided in Sections [53G-10-103](#) and [53G-10-402](#), each school may
- 8078 select instructional materials and methods of teaching, that are supported by generally accepted
- 8079 scientific standards of evidence, that the school considers most appropriate to meet the core
- 8080 standards for Utah public schools.
- 8081 (7) The state may exit any agreement, contract, memorandum of understanding, or

8082 consortium that cedes control of the core standards for Utah public schools to any other entity,  
8083 including a federal agency or consortium, for any reason, including:

8084 (a) the cost of developing or implementing the core standards for Utah public schools;

8085 (b) the proposed core standards for Utah public schools are inconsistent with  
8086 community values; or

8087 (c) the agreement, contract, memorandum of understanding, or consortium:

8088 (i) was entered into in violation of Chapter 3, Part 8, Implementing Federal or National  
8089 Education Programs, or Title 63J, Chapter 5, Federal Funds Procedures Act;

8090 (ii) conflicts with Utah law;

8091 (iii) requires Utah student data to be included in a national or multi-state database;

8092 (iv) requires records of teacher performance to be included in a national or multi-state  
8093 database; or

8094 (v) imposes curriculum, assessment, or data tracking requirements on home school or  
8095 private school students.

8096 (8) The state board shall submit a report in accordance with Section [53E-1-203](#) on the  
8097 development and implementation of the core standards for Utah public schools, including the  
8098 time line established for the review of the core standards for Utah public schools by a standards  
8099 review committee and the recommendations of a standards review committee established under  
8100 Section [53E-4-203](#).

8101 Section 146. Section **53G-3-204** is amended to read:

8102 **53G-3-204. Notice before preparing or amending a long-range plan or acquiring**  
8103 **certain property.**

8104 (1) As used in this section:

8105 (a) "Affected entity" means each county, municipality, local district under Title 17B,  
8106 Limited Purpose Local Government Entities - Local Districts, special service district under  
8107 Title 17D, Chapter 1, Special Service District Act, interlocal cooperation entity established  
8108 under Title 11, Chapter 13, Interlocal Cooperation Act, and specified public utility:

8109 (i) whose services or facilities are likely to require expansion or significant  
8110 modification because of an intended use of land; or

8111 (ii) that has filed with the school district a copy of the general or long-range plan of the  
8112 county, municipality, local district, special service district, school district, interlocal

8113 cooperation entity, or specified public utility.

8114 (b) "Specified public utility" means an electrical corporation, gas corporation, or  
8115 telephone corporation, as those terms are defined in Section [54-2-1](#).

8116 (2) (a) If a school district located in a county of the first or second class prepares a  
8117 long-range plan regarding the school district's facilities proposed for the future or amends an  
8118 already existing long-range plan, the school district shall, before preparing a long-range plan or  
8119 amendments to an existing long-range plan, provide written notice, as provided in this section,  
8120 of the school district's intent to prepare a long-range plan or to amend an existing long-range  
8121 plan.

8122 (b) Each notice under Subsection (2)(a) shall:

8123 (i) indicate that the school district intends to prepare a long-range plan or to amend a  
8124 long-range plan, as the case may be;

8125 (ii) describe or provide a map of the geographic area that will be affected by the  
8126 long-range plan or amendments to a long-range plan;

8127 (iii) be:

8128 (A) sent to each county in whose unincorporated area and each municipality in whose  
8129 boundaries is located the land on which the proposed long-range plan or amendments to a  
8130 long-range plan are expected to indicate that the proposed facilities will be located;

8131 (B) sent to each affected entity;

8132 (C) sent to the Utah Geospatial Resource Center created in Section [63A-16-505](#);

8133 (D) sent to each association of governments, established pursuant to an interlocal  
8134 agreement under Title 11, Chapter 13, Interlocal Cooperation Act, of which a county or  
8135 municipality described in Subsection (2)(b)(iii)(A) is a member; and

8136 [~~(E) placed on the Utah Public Notice Website created under Section [63A-16-601](#)]~~

8137 (E) published for the geographic area that will be affected by the proposed long-range  
8138 plan, or amendments to a long-range plan, as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at  
8139 least 30 days;

8140 (iv) with respect to the notice to counties and municipalities described in Subsection  
8141 (2)(b)(iii)(A) and affected entities, invite them to provide information for the school district to  
8142 consider in the process of preparing, adopting, and implementing the long-range plan or  
8143 amendments to a long-range plan concerning:

8144 (A) impacts that the use of land proposed in the proposed long-range plan or  
8145 amendments to a long-range plan may have on the county, municipality, or affected entity; and

8146 (B) uses of land that the county, municipality, or affected entity is planning or  
8147 considering that may conflict with the proposed long-range plan or amendments to a long-range  
8148 plan; and

8149 (v) include the address of an Internet website, if the school district has one, and the  
8150 name and telephone number of an individual where more information can be obtained  
8151 concerning the school district's proposed long-range plan or amendments to a long-range plan.

8152 (3) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (3)(d), each school district intending to  
8153 acquire real property in a county of the first or second class for the purpose of expanding the  
8154 district's infrastructure or other facilities shall provide written notice, as provided in this  
8155 Subsection (3), of the school district's intent to acquire the property if the intended use of the  
8156 property is contrary to:

8157 (i) the anticipated use of the property under the county or municipality's general plan;  
8158 or

8159 (ii) the property's current zoning designation.

8160 (b) Each notice under Subsection (3)(a) shall:

8161 (i) indicate that the school district intends to acquire real property;

8162 (ii) identify the real property; and

8163 (iii) be sent to:

8164 (A) each county in whose unincorporated area and each municipality in whose  
8165 boundaries the property is located; and

8166 (B) each affected entity.

8167 (c) A notice under this Subsection (3) is a protected record as provided in Subsection  
8168 [63G-2-305\(8\)](#).

8169 (d) (i) The notice requirement of Subsection (3)(a) does not apply if the school district  
8170 previously provided notice under Subsection (2) identifying the general location within the  
8171 municipality or unincorporated part of the county where the property to be acquired is located.

8172 (ii) If a school district is not required to comply with the notice requirement of  
8173 Subsection (3)(a) because of application of Subsection (3)(d)(i), the school district shall  
8174 provide the notice specified in Subsection (3)(a) as soon as practicable after the school district's

8175 acquisition of the real property.

8176 Section 147. Section **53G-4-204** is amended to read:

8177 **53G-4-204. Compensation for services -- Additional per diem -- Notice of meeting**  
8178 **-- Approval of expenses.**

8179 (1) Each member of a local school board, except the student member, shall receive  
8180 compensation for services and for necessary expenses in accordance with compensation  
8181 schedules adopted by the local school board in accordance with the provisions of this section.

8182 (2) Beginning on July 1, 2007, if a local school board decides to adopt or amend its  
8183 compensation schedules, the local school board shall set a time and place for a public hearing  
8184 at which all interested persons shall be given an opportunity to be heard.

8185 (3) Notice of the time, place, and purpose of the meeting shall be provided for at least  
8186 seven days [~~prior to~~] before the day of the meeting by[:] publishing the notice, as a class A  
8187 notice under Section 63G-28-102, for the school district.

8188 [~~(a) (i) publication at least once in a newspaper published in the county where the~~  
8189 ~~school district is situated and generally circulated within the school district, and]~~

8190 [~~(ii) publication on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601;~~  
8191 ~~and]~~

8192 [~~(b) posting a notice:]~~

8193 [~~(i) at each school within the school district,]~~

8194 [~~(ii) in at least three other public places within the school district, and]~~

8195 [~~(iii) on the Internet in a manner that is easily accessible to citizens that use the~~  
8196 ~~Internet.]~~

8197 (4) After the conclusion of the public hearing, the local school board may adopt or  
8198 amend its compensation schedules.

8199 (5) Each member shall submit an itemized account of necessary travel expenses for  
8200 local school board approval.

8201 (6) A local school board may, without following the procedures described in  
8202 Subsections (2) and (3), continue to use the compensation schedule that was in effect prior to  
8203 July 1, 2007, until, at the discretion of the local school board, the compensation schedule is  
8204 amended or a new compensation schedule is adopted.

8205 Section 148. Section **53G-4-402** is amended to read:

8206 **53G-4-402. Powers and duties generally.**

8207 (1) A local school board shall:

8208 (a) implement the core standards for Utah public schools using instructional materials  
8209 that best correlate to the core standards for Utah public schools and graduation requirements;

8210 (b) administer tests, required by the state board, which measure the progress of each  
8211 student, and coordinate with the state superintendent and state board to assess results and create  
8212 plans to improve the student's progress, which shall be submitted to the state board for  
8213 approval;

8214 (c) use progress-based assessments as part of a plan to identify schools, teachers, and  
8215 students that need remediation and determine the type and amount of federal, state, and local  
8216 resources to implement remediation;

8217 (d) for each grading period and for each course in which a student is enrolled, issue a  
8218 grade or performance report to the student:

8219 (i) that reflects the student's work, including the student's progress based on mastery,  
8220 for the grading period; and

8221 (ii) in accordance with the local school board's adopted grading or performance  
8222 standards and criteria;

8223 (e) develop early warning systems for students or classes failing to make progress;

8224 (f) work with the state board to establish a library of documented best practices,  
8225 consistent with state and federal regulations, for use by the local districts;

8226 (g) implement training programs for school administrators, including basic  
8227 management training, best practices in instructional methods, budget training, staff  
8228 management, managing for learning results and continuous improvement, and how to help  
8229 every child achieve optimal learning in basic academic subjects; and

8230 (h) ensure that the local school board meets the data collection and reporting standards  
8231 described in Section [53E-3-501](#).

8232 (2) Local school boards shall spend Minimum School Program funds for programs and  
8233 activities for which the state board has established minimum standards or rules under Section  
8234 [53E-3-501](#).

8235 (3) (a) A local school board may purchase, sell, and make improvements on school  
8236 sites, buildings, and equipment and construct, erect, and furnish school buildings.

- 8237 (b) School sites or buildings may only be conveyed or sold on local school board  
8238 resolution affirmed by at least two-thirds of the members.
- 8239 (4) (a) A local school board may participate in the joint construction or operation of a  
8240 school attended by children residing within the district and children residing in other districts  
8241 either within or outside the state.
- 8242 (b) Any agreement for the joint operation or construction of a school shall:  
8243 (i) be signed by the president of the local school board of each participating district;  
8244 (ii) include a mutually agreed upon pro rata cost; and  
8245 (iii) be filed with the state board.
- 8246 (5) A local school board may establish, locate, and maintain elementary, secondary,  
8247 and applied technology schools.
- 8248 (6) Except as provided in Section [53E-3-905](#), a local school board may enroll children  
8249 in school who are at least five years old before September 2 of the year in which admission is  
8250 sought.
- 8251 (7) A local school board may establish and support school libraries.
- 8252 (8) A local school board may collect damages for the loss, injury, or destruction of  
8253 school property.
- 8254 (9) A local school board may authorize guidance and counseling services for children  
8255 and their parents before, during, or following enrollment of the children in schools.
- 8256 (10) (a) A local school board shall administer and implement federal educational  
8257 programs in accordance with Title 53E, Chapter 3, Part 8, Implementing Federal or National  
8258 Education Programs.
- 8259 (b) Federal funds are not considered funds within the school district budget under  
8260 Chapter 7, Part 3, Budgets.
- 8261 (11) (a) A local school board may organize school safety patrols and adopt policies  
8262 under which the patrols promote student safety.
- 8263 (b) A student appointed to a safety patrol shall be at least 10 years old and have written  
8264 parental consent for the appointment.
- 8265 (c) Safety patrol members may not direct vehicular traffic or be stationed in a portion  
8266 of a highway intended for vehicular traffic use.
- 8267 (d) Liability may not attach to a school district, its employees, officers, or agents or to a

8268 safety patrol member, a parent of a safety patrol member, or an authorized volunteer assisting  
8269 the program by virtue of the organization, maintenance, or operation of a school safety patrol.

8270 (12) (a) A local school board may on its own behalf, or on behalf of an educational  
8271 institution for which the local school board is the direct governing body, accept private grants,  
8272 loans, gifts, endowments, devises, or bequests that are made for educational purposes.

8273 (b) These contributions are not subject to appropriation by the Legislature.

8274 (13) (a) A local school board may appoint and fix the compensation of a compliance  
8275 officer to issue citations for violations of Subsection 76-10-105(2)(b).

8276 (b) A person may not be appointed to serve as a compliance officer without the  
8277 person's consent.

8278 (c) A teacher or student may not be appointed as a compliance officer.

8279 (14) A local school board shall adopt bylaws and policies for the local school board's  
8280 own procedures.

8281 (15) (a) A local school board shall make and enforce policies necessary for the control  
8282 and management of the district schools.

8283 (b) Local school board policies shall be in writing, filed, and referenced for public  
8284 access.

8285 (16) A local school board may hold school on legal holidays other than Sundays.

8286 (17) (a) A local school board shall establish for each school year a school traffic safety  
8287 committee to implement this Subsection (17).

8288 (b) The committee shall be composed of one representative of:

8289 (i) the schools within the district;

8290 (ii) the Parent Teachers' Association of the schools within the district;

8291 (iii) the municipality or county;

8292 (iv) state or local law enforcement; and

8293 (v) state or local traffic safety engineering.

8294 (c) The committee shall:

8295 (i) receive suggestions from school community councils, parents, teachers, and others  
8296 and recommend school traffic safety improvements, boundary changes to enhance safety, and  
8297 school traffic safety program measures;

8298 (ii) review and submit annually to the Department of Transportation and affected

8299 municipalities and counties a child access routing plan for each elementary, middle, and junior  
8300 high school within the district;

8301 (iii) consult the Utah Safety Council and the Division of Family Health Services and  
8302 provide training to all school children in kindergarten through grade 6, within the district, on  
8303 school crossing safety and use; and

8304 (iv) help ensure the district's compliance with rules made by the Department of  
8305 Transportation under Section [41-6a-303](#).

8306 (d) The committee may establish subcommittees as needed to assist in accomplishing  
8307 the committee's duties under Subsection (17)(c).

8308 (18) (a) A local school board shall adopt and implement a comprehensive emergency  
8309 response plan to prevent and combat violence in the local school board's public schools, on  
8310 school grounds, on its school vehicles, and in connection with school-related activities or  
8311 events.

8312 (b) The plan shall:

8313 (i) include prevention, intervention, and response components;

8314 (ii) be consistent with the student conduct and discipline policies required for school  
8315 districts under Chapter 11, Part 2, Miscellaneous Requirements;

8316 (iii) require professional learning for all district and school building staff on what their  
8317 roles are in the emergency response plan;

8318 (iv) provide for coordination with local law enforcement and other public safety  
8319 representatives in preventing, intervening, and responding to violence in the areas and activities  
8320 referred to in Subsection (18)(a); and

8321 (v) include procedures to notify a student, to the extent practicable, who is off campus  
8322 at the time of a school violence emergency because the student is:

8323 (A) participating in a school-related activity; or

8324 (B) excused from school for a period of time during the regular school day to  
8325 participate in religious instruction at the request of the student's parent.

8326 (c) The state board, through the state superintendent, shall develop comprehensive  
8327 emergency response plan models that local school boards may use, where appropriate, to  
8328 comply with Subsection (18)(a).

8329 (d) A local school board shall, by July 1 of each year, certify to the state board that its

8330 plan has been practiced at the school level and presented to and reviewed by its teachers,  
8331 administrators, students, and their parents and local law enforcement and public safety  
8332 representatives.

8333 (19) (a) A local school board may adopt an emergency response plan for the treatment  
8334 of sports-related injuries that occur during school sports practices and events.

8335 (b) The plan may be implemented by each secondary school in the district that has a  
8336 sports program for students.

8337 (c) The plan may:

8338 (i) include emergency personnel, emergency communication, and emergency  
8339 equipment components;

8340 (ii) require professional learning on the emergency response plan for school personnel  
8341 who are involved in sports programs in the district's secondary schools; and

8342 (iii) provide for coordination with individuals and agency representatives who:

8343 (A) are not employees of the school district; and

8344 (B) would be involved in providing emergency services to students injured while  
8345 participating in sports events.

8346 (d) The local school board, in collaboration with the schools referred to in Subsection  
8347 (19)(b), may review the plan each year and make revisions when required to improve or  
8348 enhance the plan.

8349 (e) The state board, through the state superintendent, shall provide local school boards  
8350 with an emergency plan response model that local school boards may use to comply with the  
8351 requirements of this Subsection (19).

8352 (20) A local school board shall do all other things necessary for the maintenance,  
8353 prosperity, and success of the schools and the promotion of education.

8354 (21) (a) Before closing a school or changing the boundaries of a school, a local school  
8355 board shall:

8356 (i) at least 120 days before approving the school closure or school boundary change,  
8357 provide notice to the following that the local school board is considering the closure or  
8358 boundary change:

8359 (A) parents of students enrolled in the school, using the same form of communication  
8360 the local school board regularly uses to communicate with parents;

8361 (B) parents of students enrolled in other schools within the school district that may be  
8362 affected by the closure or boundary change, using the same form of communication the local  
8363 school board regularly uses to communicate with parents; and

8364 (C) the governing council and the mayor of the municipality in which the school is  
8365 located;

8366 (ii) provide an opportunity for public comment on the proposed school closure or  
8367 school boundary change during at least two public local school board meetings; and

8368 (iii) hold a public hearing as defined in Section 10-9a-103 and provide public notice of  
8369 the public hearing as described in Subsection (21)(b).

8370 (b) The notice of a public hearing required under Subsection (21)(a)(iii) shall:

8371 (i) indicate the:

8372 (A) school or schools under consideration for closure or boundary change; and

8373 (B) the date, time, and location of the public hearing;

8374 (ii) for at least 10 days before the day of the public hearing, be[?] published for the  
8375 school district in which the school is located, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102;  
8376 and

8377 [~~(A) published;~~]

8378 [~~(F) in a newspaper of general circulation in the area; and]~~

8379 [~~(H) on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601; and]~~

8380 [~~(B) posted in at least three public locations within the municipality in which the~~  
8381 ~~school is located on the school district's official website, and prominently at the school; and]~~

8382 (iii) at least 30 days before the public hearing described in Subsection (21)(a)(iii), be  
8383 provided as described in Subsections (21)(a)(i)(A), (B), and (C).

8384 (22) A local school board may implement a facility energy efficiency program  
8385 established under Title 11, Chapter 44, Performance Efficiency Act.

8386 (23) A local school board may establish or partner with a certified youth court in  
8387 accordance with Section 80-6-902 or establish or partner with a comparable restorative justice  
8388 program, in coordination with schools in that district. A school may refer a student to a youth  
8389 court or a comparable restorative justice program in accordance with Section 53G-8-211.

8390 (24) A local school board shall:

8391 (a) make curriculum that the school district uses readily accessible and available for a

8392 parent to view;

8393 (b) annually notify a parent of a student enrolled in the school district of how to access  
8394 the information described in Subsection (24)(a); and

8395 (c) include on the school district's website information about how to access the  
8396 information described in Subsection (24)(a).

8397 Section 149. Section **53G-5-504** is amended to read:

8398 **53G-5-504. Charter school closure.**

8399 (1) As used in this section, "receiving charter school" means a charter school that an  
8400 authorizer permits under Subsection (13)(a), to accept enrollment applications from students of  
8401 a closing charter school.

8402 (2) If a charter school is closed for any reason, including the termination of a charter  
8403 agreement in accordance with Section **53G-5-503** or the conversion of a charter school to a  
8404 private school, the provisions of this section apply.

8405 (3) A decision to close a charter school is made:

8406 (a) when a charter school authorizer approves a motion to terminate described in  
8407 Subsection **53G-5-503**(2)(c);

8408 (b) when the state board takes final action described in Subsection **53G-5-503**(2)(d)(ii);  
8409 or

8410 (c) when a charter school provides notice to the charter school's authorizer that the  
8411 charter school is relinquishing the charter school's charter.

8412 (4) (a) No later than 10 days after the day on which a decision to close a charter school  
8413 is made, the charter school shall:

8414 (i) provide notice to the following, in writing, of the decision:

8415 (A) if the charter school made the decision to close, the charter school's authorizer;

8416 (B) the State Charter School Board;

8417 (C) if the state board did not make the decision to close, the state board;

8418 (D) parents of students enrolled at the charter school;

8419 (E) the charter school's creditors;

8420 (F) the charter school's lease holders;

8421 (G) the charter school's bond issuers;

8422 (H) other entities that may have a claim to the charter school's assets;

8423 (I) the school district in which the charter school is located and other charter schools  
8424 located in that school district; and

8425 (J) any other person that the charter school determines to be appropriate; and

8426 (ii) ~~[post]~~ publish notice of the decision ~~[on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in~~  
8427 ~~Section 63A-16-601]~~ for the school district in which the charter school is located, as a class A  
8428 notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at least 30 days.

8429 (b) The notice described in Subsection (4)(a) shall include:

8430 (i) the proposed date of the charter school closure;

8431 (ii) the charter school's plans to help students identify and transition into a new school;  
8432 and

8433 (iii) contact information for the charter school during the transition.

8434 (5) No later than 10 days after the day on which a decision to close a charter school is  
8435 made, the closing charter school shall:

8436 (a) designate a custodian for the protection of student files and school business records;

8437 (b) designate a base of operation that will be maintained throughout the charter school  
8438 closing, including:

8439 (i) an office;

8440 (ii) hours of operation;

8441 (iii) operational telephone service with voice messaging stating the hours of operation;  
8442 and

8443 (iv) a designated individual to respond to questions or requests during the hours of  
8444 operation;

8445 (c) assure that the charter school will maintain private insurance coverage or risk  
8446 management coverage for covered claims that arise before closure, throughout the transition to  
8447 closure and for a period following closure of the charter school as specified by the charter  
8448 school's authorizer;

8449 (d) assure that the charter school will complete by the set deadlines for all fiscal years  
8450 in which funds are received or expended by the charter school a financial audit and any other  
8451 procedure required by state board rule;

8452 (e) inventory all assets of the charter school; and

8453 (f) list all creditors of the charter school and specifically identify secured creditors and

8454 assets that are security interests.

8455 (6) The closing charter school's authorizer shall oversee the closing charter school's  
8456 compliance with Subsection (5).

8457 (7) (a) A closing charter school shall return any assets remaining, after all liabilities  
8458 and obligations of the closing charter school are paid or discharged, to the closing charter  
8459 school's authorizer.

8460 (b) The closing charter school's authorizer shall liquidate assets at fair market value or  
8461 assign the assets to another public school.

8462 (8) The closing charter school's authorizer shall oversee liquidation of assets and  
8463 payment of debt in accordance with state board rule.

8464 (9) The closing charter school shall:

8465 (a) comply with all state and federal reporting requirements; and

8466 (b) submit all documentation and complete all state and federal reports required by the  
8467 closing charter school's authorizer or the state board, including documents to verify the closing  
8468 charter school's compliance with procedural requirements and satisfaction of all financial  
8469 issues.

8470 (10) When the closing charter school's financial affairs are closed out and dissolution is  
8471 complete, the authorizer shall ensure that a final audit of the charter school is completed.

8472 (11) On or before January 1, 2017, the state board shall, in accordance with Title 63G,  
8473 Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, and after considering suggestions from  
8474 charter school authorizers, make rules that:

8475 (a) provide additional closure procedures for charter schools; and

8476 (b) establish a charter school closure process.

8477 (12) (a) Upon termination of the charter school's charter agreement:

8478 (i) notwithstanding provisions to the contrary in Title 16, Chapter 6a, Part 14,  
8479 Dissolution, the nonprofit corporation under which the charter school is organized and  
8480 managed may be unilaterally dissolved by the authorizer; and

8481 (ii) the net assets of the charter school shall revert to the authorizer as described in  
8482 Subsection (7).

8483 (b) The charter school and the authorizer shall mutually agree in writing on the  
8484 effective date and time of the dissolution described in Subsection (12)(a).

8485 (c) The effective date and time of dissolution described in Subsection (12)(b) may not  
8486 exceed five years after the date of the termination of the charter agreement.

8487 (13) Notwithstanding the provisions of Chapter 6, Part 5, Charter School Enrollment:

8488 (a) an authorizer may permit a specified number of students from a closing charter  
8489 school to be enrolled in another charter school, if the receiving charter school:

8490 (i) (A) is authorized by the same authorizer as the closing charter school; or

8491 (B) is authorized by a different authorizer and the authorizer of the receiving charter  
8492 school approves the increase in enrollment; and

8493 (ii) agrees to accept enrollment applications from students of the closing charter  
8494 school;

8495 (b) a receiving charter school shall give new enrollment preference to applications  
8496 from students of the closing charter school in the first school year in which the closing charter  
8497 school is not operational; and

8498 (c) a receiving charter school's enrollment capacity is increased by the number of  
8499 students enrolled in the receiving charter school from the closing charter school under this  
8500 Subsection (13).

8501 (14) A member of the governing board or staff of the receiving charter school that is  
8502 also a member of the governing board of the receiving charter school's authorizer, shall recuse  
8503 himself or herself from a decision regarding the enrollment of students from a closing charter  
8504 school as described in Subsection (13).

8505 Section 150. Section **54-8-10** is amended to read:

8506 **54-8-10. Public hearing -- Notice -- Publication.**

8507 (1) The governing body shall provide notice of a public hearing on the proposed  
8508 improvement for the proposed district, as a class B notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at  
8509 least 14 days.

8510 [~~(1) Such notice shall be:~~]

8511 [~~(a) published on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section [63A-16-601](#); and]~~

8512 [~~(b) posted in not less than three public places in the district.]~~

8513 [~~(2) A copy of the notice shall be mailed by certified mail to the last known address of~~  
8514 ~~each owner of land within the proposed district whose property will be assessed for the cost of~~  
8515 ~~the improvement.]~~

8516 ~~[(3)]~~ (2) The ~~[address]~~ addresses to be used for ~~[that purpose]~~ the purpose of mailing  
8517 notice as required by Subsection 63G-28-102(4)(b)(i) shall be:

8518 (a) ~~[that]~~ the last address appearing on the real property assessment rolls of the county  
8519 ~~[in which the property is located.]~~ for each owner of real property whose property will be  
8520 assessed for the cost of the improvement; and

8521 ~~[(4)]~~ (b) ~~[In addition, a copy of the notice shall be addressed to "Owner" and shall be~~  
8522 ~~so mailed addressed to]~~ the street number of each piece of improved property to be affected by  
8523 the assessment.

8524 ~~[(5)]~~ (3) Mailed notices and the published notice shall state where a copy of the  
8525 resolution creating the district will be available for inspection by any interested parties.

8526 Section 151. Section **54-8-16** is amended to read:

8527 **54-8-16. Notice of assessment -- Publication.**

8528 (1) After the preparation of a resolution under Section **54-8-14**, the governing body  
8529 shall give notice of a public hearing on the proposed assessments ~~[shall be given].~~

8530 (2) (a) The governing body shall provide the notice described in Subsection (1) ~~[shall~~  
8531 ~~be:]~~ for the district, as a class B notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at least 20 days before  
8532 the date of the hearing.

8533 (b) The addresses to be used for the purpose of mailing notice as required by  
8534 Subsection 63G-28-102(4)(b)(i) are:

8535 (i) the last address appearing on the real property assessment rolls of the county for  
8536 each owner of real property whose property will be assessed for part of the cost of the  
8537 improvement; and

8538 (ii) the street number of each piece of improved property to be affected by the proposed  
8539 assessment.

8540 ~~[(a)]~~ ~~published on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601, for at~~  
8541 ~~least 20 days before the date fixed for the hearing; and]~~

8542 ~~[(b)]~~ ~~mailed by certified mail not less than 15 days prior to the date fixed for such~~  
8543 ~~hearing to each owner of real property whose property will be assessed for part of the cost of~~  
8544 ~~the improvement at the last known address of such owner using for such purpose the names~~  
8545 ~~and addresses appearing on the last completed real property assessment rolls of the county~~  
8546 ~~wherein said affected property is located.]~~

8547 ~~[(3)]~~ In addition, a copy of such notice shall be addressed to "Owner" and shall be so  
8548 mailed addressed to the street number of each piece of improved property to be affected by  
8549 such assessment.]

8550 ~~[(4)]~~ (3) Each notice shall state that at the specified time and place, the governing body  
8551 will hold a public hearing upon the proposed assessments and shall state that any owner of any  
8552 property to be assessed pursuant to the resolution will be heard on the question of whether [his]  
8553 the owner's property will be benefited by the proposed improvement to the amount of the  
8554 proposed assessment against [his] the owner's property and whether the amount assessed  
8555 against [his] the owner's property constitutes more than [his] the owner's proper proportional  
8556 share of the total cost of the improvement.

8557 ~~[(5)]~~ (4) The notice shall further state where a copy of the resolution proposed to be  
8558 adopted levying the assessments against all real property in the district will be on file for public  
8559 inspection, and that subject to such changes and corrections therein as may be made by the  
8560 governing body, it is proposed to adopt the resolution at the conclusion of the hearing.

8561 ~~[(6)]~~ (5) A published notice shall describe the boundaries or area of the district with  
8562 sufficient particularity to permit each owner of real property therein to ascertain that [his] the  
8563 owner's property lies in the district.

8564 ~~[(7)]~~ (6) The mailed notice may refer to the district by name and date of creation and  
8565 shall state the amount of the assessment proposed to be levied against the real property of the  
8566 person to whom the notice is mailed.

8567 Section 152. Section **54-8-23** is amended to read:

8568 **54-8-23. Objection to amount of assessment -- Civil action -- Litigation to**  
8569 **question or attack proceedings or legality of bonds -- Notice.**

8570 (1) No special assessment levied under this chapter shall be declared void, nor shall  
8571 any such assessment or part thereof be set aside in consequence of any error or irregularity  
8572 permitted or appearing in any of the proceedings under this chapter, but any party feeling  
8573 aggrieved by any such special assessment or proceeding may bring a civil action to cause such  
8574 grievance to be adjudicated if such action is commenced prior to the expiration of the period  
8575 specified in this section.

8576 (2) The burden of proof to show that such special assessment or part thereof is invalid,  
8577 inequitable or unjust shall rest upon the party who brings such suit.

8578 (3) Any such litigation shall not be regarded as an appeal within the meaning of the  
8579 prohibition contained in Section [54-8-18](#).

8580 (4) Every person whose property is subject to such special assessment and who fails to  
8581 appear during the public hearings on said assessments to raise his objection to such tax shall be  
8582 deemed to have waived all objections to such levy except the objection that the governing body  
8583 lacks jurisdiction to levy such tax.

8584 (5) For a period of 20 days after the governing body has adopted the enactment  
8585 authorizing the assessment, any taxpayer in the district shall have the right to institute litigation  
8586 for the purpose of questioning or attacking the proceedings pursuant to which the assessments  
8587 have been authorized subject to the provisions of the preceding paragraph.

8588 (6) Whenever any enactment authorizing the issuance of any bonds pursuant to the  
8589 improvement contemplated shall have been adopted such resolution shall be [~~posted on the~~  
8590 ~~Utah Public Notice Website created in Section [63A-16-601](#)]~~ provided for the district, as a class  
8591 A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for 20 days.

8592 (7) For a period of 20 days thereafter, any person whose property shall have been  
8593 assessed and any taxpayer in the district shall have the right to institute litigation for the  
8594 purpose of questioning or attacking the legality of such bonds.

8595 (8) After the expiration of such 20-day period, all proceedings theretofore had by the  
8596 governing body, the bonds to be issued pursuant thereto, and the special assessments from  
8597 which such bonds are to be paid, shall become incontestable, and no suit attacking or  
8598 questioning the legality thereof may be instituted in this state, and no court shall have the  
8599 authority to inquire into such matters.

8600 Section 153. Section **57-11-11** is amended to read:

8601 **57-11-11. Rules of division -- Notice and hearing requirements -- Filing**  
8602 **advertising material -- Injunctions -- Intervention by division in suits -- General powers**  
8603 **of division.**

8604 (1) (a) The division shall prescribe reasonable rules which shall be adopted, amended,  
8605 or repealed only after a public hearing.

8606 (b) The division shall:

8607 (i) publish notice of the public hearing described in Subsection (1)(a)[:] for the state, as  
8608 a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least 20 days before the day of the hearing;

8609 and

8610 ~~[(A) once in a newspaper or newspapers with statewide circulation and at least 20 days~~  
8611 ~~before the hearing; and]~~

8612 ~~[(B) on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section [63A-16-601](#), for at least 20~~  
8613 ~~days before the hearing; and]~~

8614 (ii) send a notice to a nonprofit organization which files a written request for notice  
8615 with the division at least 20 days ~~[prior to]~~ before the day of the hearing.

8616 (2) The rules shall include but need not be limited to:

8617 (a) provisions for advertising standards to assure full and fair disclosure; and

8618 (b) provisions for escrow or trust agreements, performance bonds, or other means

8619 reasonably necessary to assure that all improvements referred to in the application for

8620 registration and advertising will be completed and that purchasers will receive the interest in

8621 land contracted for.

8622 (3) These provisions, however, shall not be required if the city or county in which the  
8623 subdivision is located requires similar means of assurance of a nature and in an amount no less  
8624 adequate than is required under said rules:

8625 (a) provisions for operating procedures;

8626 (b) provisions for a shortened form of registration in cases where the division

8627 determines that the purposes of this act do not require a subdivision to be registered pursuant to

8628 an application containing all the information required by Section [57-11-6](#) or do not require that

8629 the public offering statement contain all the information required by Section [57-11-7](#); and

8630 (c) other rules necessary and proper to accomplish the purpose of this chapter.

8631 (4) The division by rule or order, after reasonable notice, may require the filing of

8632 advertising material relating to subdivided lands prior to its distribution, provided that the

8633 division must approve or reject any advertising material within 15 days from the receipt thereof

8634 or the material shall be considered approved.

8635 (5) If it appears that a person has engaged or is about to engage in an act or practice

8636 constituting a violation of a provision of this chapter or a rule or order hereunder, the agency,

8637 with or without prior administrative proceedings, may bring an action in the district court of the

8638 district where said person maintains his residence or a place of business or where said act or

8639 practice has occurred or is about to occur, to enjoin the acts or practices and to enforce

8640 compliance with this chapter or any rule or order hereunder. Upon proper showing, injunctive  
8641 relief or temporary restraining orders shall be granted, and a receiver or conservator may be  
8642 appointed. The division shall not be required to post a bond in any court proceedings.

8643 (6) The division shall be allowed to intervene in a suit involving subdivided lands,  
8644 either as a party or as an amicus curiae, where it appears that the interpretation or  
8645 constitutionality of any provision of law will be called into question. In any suit by or against a  
8646 subdivider involving subdivided lands, the subdivider promptly shall furnish the agency notice  
8647 of the suit and copies of all pleadings. Failure to do so may, in the discretion of the division,  
8648 constitute grounds for the division withholding any approval required by this chapter.

8649 (7) The division may:

8650 (a) accept registrations filed in other states or with the federal government;

8651 (b) contract with public agencies or qualified private persons in this state or other  
8652 jurisdictions to perform investigative functions; and

8653 (c) accept grants-in-aid from any source.

8654 (8) The division shall cooperate with similar agencies in other jurisdictions to establish  
8655 uniform filing procedures and forms, uniform public offering statements, advertising standards,  
8656 rules, and common administrative practices.

8657 Section 154. Section **57-13a-104** is amended to read:

8658 **57-13a-104. Abandonment of prescriptive easement for water conveyance.**

8659 (1) A holder of a prescriptive easement for a water conveyance established under  
8660 Section **57-13a-102** may, in accordance with this section, abandon all or part of the easement.

8661 (2) (a) A holder of a prescriptive easement for a water conveyance established under  
8662 Section **57-13a-102** who seeks to abandon the easement or part of the easement shall<sup>[:]</sup>, in each  
8663 county where the easement or part of the easement is located, file in the office of the county  
8664 recorder a notice of intent to abandon the prescriptive easement that describes the easement or  
8665 part of the easement to be abandoned.

8666 (b) A county recorder who receives a notice of intent to abandon a prescriptive  
8667 easement shall:

8668 (i) publish copies of the notice for the area generally served by the water conveyance  
8669 that utilizes the easement, as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at least 45 days;

8670 and

8671 ~~[(a) in each county where the easement or part of the easement is located, file in the~~  
8672 ~~office of the county recorder a notice of intent to abandon the prescriptive easement that~~  
8673 ~~describes the easement or part of the easement to be abandoned;]~~

8674 ~~[(b) post copies of the notice of intent to abandon the prescriptive easement in three~~  
8675 ~~public places located within the area generally served by the water conveyance that utilizes the~~  
8676 ~~easement;]~~

8677 ~~[(c)] (ii) mail a copy of the notice of intent to abandon the prescriptive easement to~~  
8678 ~~each municipal and county government where the easement or part of the easement is located[;]~~

8679 .

8680 ~~[(d) post a copy of the notice of intent to abandon the prescriptive easement on the~~  
8681 ~~Utah Public Notice Website created in Section [63A-16-601](#); and]~~

8682 ~~[(e)] (3) [after] After meeting the requirements of [Subsections (2)(a), (b), (c), and (d)]~~  
8683 ~~Subsection (2)(a) and at least 45 days after the last day on which the [holder of the easement]~~  
8684 ~~county recorder posts the notice of intent to abandon the prescriptive easement in accordance~~  
8685 ~~with Subsection (2)(b), the holder of the prescriptive easement shall file in the office of the~~  
8686 ~~county recorder for each county where the easement or part of the easement is located a notice~~  
8687 ~~of abandonment that contains the same description required by Subsection (2)(a).~~

8688 ~~[(3)] (4) (a) Upon completion of the requirements described in Subsection (2) [by the~~  
8689 ~~holder of a prescriptive easement for a water conveyance established under Section~~  
8690 ~~[57-13a-102](#)]:~~

8691 (i) all interest to the easement or part of the easement abandoned by the holder of the  
8692 easement is extinguished; and

8693 (ii) subject to each legal right that exists as described in Subsection ~~[(3)(b)]~~ (4)(b), the  
8694 owner of a servient estate whose land was encumbered by the easement or part of the easement  
8695 abandoned may reclaim the land area occupied by the former easement or part of the easement  
8696 and resume full utilization of the land without liability to the former holder of the easement.

8697 (b) Abandonment of a prescriptive easement under this section does not affect a legal  
8698 right to have water delivered or discharged through the water conveyance and easement  
8699 established by a person other than the holder of the easement who abandons an easement as  
8700 provided in this section.

8701 (5) A county recorder may bill the holder of the prescriptive easement for the cost of

8702 preparing, printing, and publishing the notice required under Subsection (2)(b).

8703 Section 155. Section **59-2-919** is amended to read:

8704 **59-2-919. Notice and public hearing requirements for certain tax increases --**

8705 **Exceptions.**

8706 (1) As used in this section:

8707 (a) "Additional ad valorem tax revenue" means ad valorem property tax revenue  
8708 generated by the portion of the tax rate that exceeds the taxing entity's certified tax rate.

8709 (b) "Ad valorem tax revenue" means ad valorem property tax revenue not including  
8710 revenue from:

8711 (i) eligible new growth as defined in Section [59-2-924](#); or

8712 (ii) personal property that is:

8713 (A) assessed by a county assessor in accordance with Part 3, County Assessment; and

8714 (B) semiconductor manufacturing equipment.

8715 (c) "Calendar year taxing entity" means a taxing entity that operates under a fiscal year  
8716 that begins on January 1 and ends on December 31.

8717 (d) "County executive calendar year taxing entity" means a calendar year taxing entity  
8718 that operates under the county executive-council form of government described in Section  
8719 [17-52a-203](#).

8720 (e) "Current calendar year" means the calendar year immediately preceding the  
8721 calendar year for which a calendar year taxing entity seeks to levy a tax rate that exceeds the  
8722 calendar year taxing entity's certified tax rate.

8723 (f) "Fiscal year taxing entity" means a taxing entity that operates under a fiscal year that  
8724 begins on July 1 and ends on June 30.

8725 (g) "Last year's property tax budgeted revenue" does not include revenue received by a  
8726 taxing entity from a debt service levy voted on by the public.

8727 (2) A taxing entity may not levy a tax rate that exceeds the taxing entity's certified tax  
8728 rate unless the taxing entity meets:

8729 (a) the requirements of this section that apply to the taxing entity; and

8730 (b) all other requirements as may be required by law.

8731 (3) (a) Subject to Subsection (3)(b) and except as provided in Subsection (5), a  
8732 calendar year taxing entity may levy a tax rate that exceeds the calendar year taxing entity's

8733 certified tax rate if the calendar year taxing entity:

8734 (i) 14 or more days before the date of the regular general election or municipal general  
8735 election held in the current calendar year, states at a public meeting:

8736 (A) that the calendar year taxing entity intends to levy a tax rate that exceeds the  
8737 calendar year taxing entity's certified tax rate;

8738 (B) the dollar amount of and purpose for additional ad valorem tax revenue that would  
8739 be generated by the proposed increase in the certified tax rate; and

8740 (C) the approximate percentage increase in ad valorem tax revenue for the taxing entity  
8741 based on the proposed increase described in Subsection (3)(a)(i)(B);

8742 (ii) provides notice for the public meeting described in Subsection (3)(a)(i) in  
8743 accordance with Title 52, Chapter 4, Open and Public Meetings Act, including providing a  
8744 separate item on the meeting agenda that notifies the public that the calendar year taxing entity  
8745 intends to make the statement described in Subsection (3)(a)(i);

8746 (iii) meets the advertisement requirements of Subsections (6) and (7) before the  
8747 calendar year taxing entity conducts the public hearing required by Subsection (3)(a)(v);

8748 (iv) provides notice by mail:

8749 (A) seven or more days before the regular general election or municipal general  
8750 election held in the current calendar year; and

8751 (B) as provided in Subsection (3)(c); and

8752 (v) conducts a public hearing that is held:

8753 (A) in accordance with Subsections (8) and (9); and

8754 (B) in conjunction with the public hearing required by Section [17-36-13](#) or [17B-1-610](#).

8755 (b) (i) For a county executive calendar year taxing entity, the statement described in  
8756 Subsection (3)(a)(i) shall be made by the:

8757 (A) county council;

8758 (B) county executive; or

8759 (C) both the county council and county executive.

8760 (ii) If the county council makes the statement described in Subsection (3)(a)(i) or the  
8761 county council states a dollar amount of additional ad valorem tax revenue that is greater than  
8762 the amount of additional ad valorem tax revenue previously stated by the county executive in  
8763 accordance with Subsection (3)(a)(i), the county executive calendar year taxing entity shall:

8764 (A) make the statement described in Subsection (3)(a)(i) 14 or more days before the  
8765 county executive calendar year taxing entity conducts the public hearing under Subsection  
8766 (3)(a)(v); and

8767 (B) provide the notice required by Subsection (3)(a)(iv) 14 or more days before the  
8768 county executive calendar year taxing entity conducts the public hearing required by  
8769 Subsection (3)(a)(v).

8770 (c) The notice described in Subsection (3)(a)(iv):

8771 (i) shall be mailed to each owner of property:

8772 (A) within the calendar year taxing entity; and

8773 (B) listed on the assessment roll;

8774 (ii) shall be printed on a separate form that:

8775 (A) is developed by the commission;

8776 (B) states at the top of the form, in bold upper-case type no smaller than 18 point

8777 "NOTICE OF PROPOSED TAX INCREASE"; and

8778 (C) may be mailed with the notice required by Section [59-2-1317](#);

8779 (iii) shall contain for each property described in Subsection (3)(c)(i):

8780 (A) the value of the property for the current calendar year;

8781 (B) the tax on the property for the current calendar year; and

8782 (C) subject to Subsection (3)(d), for the calendar year for which the calendar year  
8783 taxing entity seeks to levy a tax rate that exceeds the calendar year taxing entity's certified tax  
8784 rate, the estimated tax on the property;

8785 (iv) shall contain the following statement:

8786 "[Insert name of taxing entity] is proposing a tax increase for [insert applicable calendar  
8787 year]. This notice contains estimates of the tax on your property and the proposed tax increase  
8788 on your property as a result of this tax increase. These estimates are calculated on the basis of  
8789 [insert previous applicable calendar year] data. The actual tax on your property and proposed  
8790 tax increase on your property may vary from this estimate.";

8791 (v) shall state the date, time, and place of the public hearing described in Subsection  
8792 (3)(a)(v); and

8793 (vi) may contain other property tax information approved by the commission.

8794 (d) For purposes of Subsection (3)(c)(iii)(C), a calendar year taxing entity shall

8795 calculate the estimated tax on property on the basis of:

8796 (i) data for the current calendar year; and

8797 (ii) the amount of additional ad valorem tax revenue stated in accordance with this  
8798 section.

8799 (4) Except as provided in Subsection (5), a fiscal year taxing entity may levy a tax rate  
8800 that exceeds the fiscal year taxing entity's certified tax rate if the fiscal year taxing entity:

8801 (a) provides notice by meeting the advertisement requirements of Subsections (6) and

8802 (7) before the fiscal year taxing entity conducts the public meeting at which the fiscal year

8803 taxing entity's annual budget is adopted; and

8804 (b) conducts a public hearing in accordance with Subsections (8) and (9) before the  
8805 fiscal year taxing entity's annual budget is adopted.

8806 (5) (a) A taxing entity is not required to meet the notice or public hearing requirements  
8807 of Subsection (3) or (4) if the taxing entity is expressly exempted by law from complying with  
8808 the requirements of this section.

8809 (b) A taxing entity is not required to meet the notice requirements of Subsection (3) or  
8810 (4) if:

8811 (i) Section [53F-8-301](#) allows the taxing entity to levy a tax rate that exceeds that  
8812 certified tax rate without having to comply with the notice provisions of this section; or

8813 (ii) the taxing entity:

8814 (A) budgeted less than \$20,000 in ad valorem tax revenue for the previous fiscal year;

8815 and

8816 (B) sets a budget during the current fiscal year of less than \$20,000 of ad valorem tax  
8817 revenue.

8818 (6) (a) Subject to Subsections (6)(d) and (7)(b), the advertisement described in this  
8819 section shall be published:

8820 (i) subject to Section [45-1-101](#), in a newspaper or combination of newspapers of  
8821 general circulation in the taxing entity;

8822 (ii) electronically in accordance with Section [45-1-101](#); and

8823 [~~(iii) on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section [63A-16-601](#)]~~

8824 (iii) for the taxing entity, as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least 14  
8825 days.

- 8826 (b) The advertisement described in Subsection (6)(a)(i) shall:
- 8827 (i) be no less than 1/4 page in size;
- 8828 (ii) use type no smaller than 18 point; and
- 8829 (iii) be surrounded by a 1/4-inch border.
- 8830 (c) The advertisement described in Subsection (6)(a)(i) may not be placed in that
- 8831 portion of the newspaper where legal notices and classified advertisements appear.
- 8832 (d) It is the intent of the Legislature that:
- 8833 (i) whenever possible, the advertisement described in Subsection (6)(a)(i) appear in a
- 8834 newspaper that is published at least one day per week; and
- 8835 (ii) the newspaper or combination of newspapers selected:
- 8836 (A) be of general interest and readership in the taxing entity; and
- 8837 (B) not be of limited subject matter.
- 8838 (e) (i) The advertisement described in Subsection (6)(a)(i) shall:
- 8839 (A) except as provided in Subsection (6)(f), be run once each week for the two weeks
- 8840 before a taxing entity conducts a public hearing described under Subsection (3)(a)(v) or (4)(b);
- 8841 and
- 8842 (B) state that the taxing entity will meet on a certain day, time, and place fixed in the
- 8843 advertisement, which shall be seven or more days after the day the first advertisement is
- 8844 published, for the purpose of hearing comments regarding any proposed increase and to explain
- 8845 the reasons for the proposed increase.
- 8846 (ii) The advertisement described in Subsection (6)(a)(ii) shall:
- 8847 (A) be published two weeks before a taxing entity conducts a public hearing described
- 8848 in Subsection (3)(a)(v) or (4)(b); and
- 8849 (B) state that the taxing entity will meet on a certain day, time, and place fixed in the
- 8850 advertisement, which shall be seven or more days after the day the first advertisement is
- 8851 published, for the purpose of hearing comments regarding any proposed increase and to explain
- 8852 the reasons for the proposed increase.
- 8853 (f) If a fiscal year taxing entity's public hearing information is published by the county
- 8854 auditor in accordance with Section [59-2-919.2](#), the fiscal year taxing entity is not subject to the
- 8855 requirement to run the advertisement twice, as required by Subsection (6)(e)(i), but shall run
- 8856 the advertisement once during the week before the fiscal year taxing entity conducts a public

8857 hearing at which the taxing entity's annual budget is discussed.

8858 (g) For purposes of Subsection (3)(a)(iii) or (4)(a), the form and content of an  
8859 advertisement shall be substantially as follows:

8860 "NOTICE OF PROPOSED TAX INCREASE

8861 (NAME OF TAXING ENTITY)

8862 The (name of the taxing entity) is proposing to increase its property tax revenue.

8863 ● The (name of the taxing entity) tax on a (insert the average value of a residence  
8864 in the taxing entity rounded to the nearest thousand dollars) residence would increase from  
8865 \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to \$ \_\_\_\_\_, which is \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per year.

8866 ● The (name of the taxing entity) tax on a (insert the value of a business having  
8867 the same value as the average value of a residence in the taxing entity) business would increase  
8868 from \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to \$ \_\_\_\_\_, which is \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per year.

8869 ● If the proposed budget is approved, (name of the taxing entity) would increase  
8870 its property tax budgeted revenue by \_\_\_% above last year's property tax budgeted revenue  
8871 excluding eligible new growth.

8872 All concerned citizens are invited to a public hearing on the tax increase.

8873 PUBLIC HEARING

8874 Date/Time: (date) (time)

8875 Location: (name of meeting place and address of meeting place)

8876 To obtain more information regarding the tax increase, citizens may contact the (name  
8877 of the taxing entity) at (phone number of taxing entity)."

8878 (7) The commission:

8879 (a) shall adopt rules in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative  
8880 Rulemaking Act, governing the joint use of one advertisement described in Subsection (6) by  
8881 two or more taxing entities; and

8882 (b) subject to Section 45-1-101, may authorize:

8883 (i) the use of a weekly newspaper:

8884 (A) in a county having both daily and weekly newspapers if the weekly newspaper  
8885 would provide equal or greater notice to the taxpayer; and

8886 (B) if the county petitions the commission for the use of the weekly newspaper; or

8887 (ii) the use by a taxing entity of a commission approved direct notice to each taxpayer

8888 if:

8889 (A) the cost of the advertisement would cause undue hardship;

8890 (B) the direct notice is different and separate from that provided for in Section

8891 [59-2-919.1](#); and

8892 (C) the taxing entity petitions the commission for the use of a commission approved  
8893 direct notice.

8894 (8) (a) (i) (A) A fiscal year taxing entity shall, on or before March 1, notify the county  
8895 legislative body in which the fiscal year taxing entity is located of the date, time, and place of  
8896 the first public hearing at which the fiscal year taxing entity's annual budget will be discussed.

8897 (B) A county that receives notice from a fiscal year taxing entity under Subsection  
8898 (8)(a)(i)(A) shall include on the notice required by Section [59-2-919.1](#) the date, time, and place  
8899 of the public hearing described in Subsection (8)(a)(i)(A).

8900 (ii) A calendar year taxing entity shall, on or before October 1 of the current calendar  
8901 year, notify the county legislative body in which the calendar year taxing entity is located of the  
8902 date, time, and place of the first public hearing at which the calendar year taxing entity's annual  
8903 budget will be discussed.

8904 (b) (i) A public hearing described in Subsection (3)(a)(v) or (4)(b) shall be:

8905 (A) open to the public; and

8906 (B) held at a meeting of the taxing entity with no items on the agenda other than  
8907 discussion and action on the taxing entity's intent to levy a tax rate that exceeds the taxing  
8908 entity's certified tax rate, the taxing entity's budget, a local district's or special service district's  
8909 fee implementation or increase, or a combination of these items.

8910 (ii) The governing body of a taxing entity conducting a public hearing described in  
8911 Subsection (3)(a)(v) or (4)(b) shall provide an interested party desiring to be heard an  
8912 opportunity to present oral testimony:

8913 (A) within reasonable time limits; and

8914 (B) without unreasonable restriction on the number of individuals allowed to make  
8915 public comment.

8916 (c) (i) Except as provided in Subsection (8)(c)(ii), a taxing entity may not schedule a  
8917 public hearing described in Subsection (3)(a)(v) or (4)(b) at the same time as the public hearing  
8918 of another overlapping taxing entity in the same county.

8919 (ii) The taxing entities in which the power to set tax levies is vested in the same  
8920 governing board or authority may consolidate the public hearings described in Subsection  
8921 (3)(a)(v) or (4)(b) into one public hearing.

8922 (d) A county legislative body shall resolve any conflict in public hearing dates and  
8923 times after consultation with each affected taxing entity.

8924 (e) (i) A taxing entity shall hold a public hearing described in Subsection (3)(a)(v) or  
8925 (4)(b) beginning at or after 6 p.m.

8926 (ii) If a taxing entity holds a public meeting for the purpose of addressing general  
8927 business of the taxing entity on the same date as a public hearing described in Subsection  
8928 (3)(a)(v) or (4)(b), the public meeting addressing general business items shall conclude before  
8929 the beginning of the public hearing described in Subsection (3)(a)(v) or (4)(b).

8930 (f) (i) Except as provided in Subsection (8)(f)(ii), a taxing entity may not hold the  
8931 public hearing described in Subsection (3)(a)(v) or (4)(b) on the same date as another public  
8932 hearing of the taxing entity.

8933 (ii) A taxing entity may hold the following hearings on the same date as a public  
8934 hearing described in Subsection (3)(a)(v) or (4)(b):

8935 (A) a budget hearing;

8936 (B) if the taxing entity is a local district or a special service district, a fee hearing  
8937 described in Section 17B-1-643;

8938 (C) if the taxing entity is a town, an enterprise fund hearing described in Section  
8939 10-5-107.5; or

8940 (D) if the taxing entity is a city, an enterprise fund hearing described in Section  
8941 10-6-135.5.

8942 (9) (a) If a taxing entity does not make a final decision on budgeting additional ad  
8943 valorem tax revenue at a public hearing described in Subsection (3)(a)(v) or (4)(b), the taxing  
8944 entity shall:

8945 (i) announce at that public hearing the scheduled time and place of the next public  
8946 meeting at which the taxing entity will consider budgeting the additional ad valorem tax  
8947 revenue; and

8948 (ii) if the taxing entity is a fiscal year taxing entity, hold the public meeting described  
8949 in Subsection (9)(a)(i) before September 1.

8950 (b) A calendar year taxing entity may not adopt a final budget that budgets an amount  
8951 of additional ad valorem tax revenue that exceeds the largest amount of additional ad valorem  
8952 tax revenue stated at a public meeting under Subsection (3)(a)(i).

8953 (c) A public hearing on levying a tax rate that exceeds a fiscal year taxing entity's  
8954 certified tax rate may coincide with a public hearing on the fiscal year taxing entity's proposed  
8955 annual budget.

8956 Section 156. Section **59-2-919.2** is amended to read:

8957 **59-2-919.2. Consolidated advertisement of public hearings.**

8958 (1) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (1)(b), on the same day on which a taxing  
8959 entity provides the notice to the county required under Subsection **59-2-919(8)(a)(i)**, the taxing  
8960 entity shall provide to the county auditor the information required by Subsection  
8961 **59-2-919(8)(a)(i)**.

8962 (b) A taxing entity is not required to notify the county auditor of the taxing entity's  
8963 public hearing in accordance with Subsection (1)(a) if the taxing entity is exempt from the  
8964 notice requirements of Section **59-2-919**.

8965 (2) If as of July 22, two or more taxing entities notify the county auditor under  
8966 Subsection (1), the county auditor shall by no later than July 22 of each year:

8967 (a) compile a list of the taxing entities that notify the county auditor under Subsection  
8968 (1);

8969 (b) include on the list described in Subsection (2)(a), the following information for  
8970 each taxing entity on the list:

8971 (i) the name of the taxing entity;

8972 (ii) the date, time, and location of the public hearing described in Subsection  
8973 **59-2-919(8)(a)(i)**;

8974 (iii) the average dollar increase on a residence in the taxing entity that the proposed tax  
8975 increase would generate; and

8976 (iv) the average dollar increase on a business in the taxing entity that the proposed tax  
8977 increase would generate;

8978 (c) provide a copy of the list described in Subsection (2)(a) to each taxing entity that  
8979 notifies the county auditor under Subsection (1); and

8980 (d) in addition to the requirements of Subsection (3), if the county has a webpage,

8981 publish a copy of the list described in Subsection (2)(a) on the county's webpage until  
8982 December 31.

8983 (3) (a) At least two weeks before any public hearing included in the list under  
8984 Subsection (2) is held, the county auditor shall publish:

8985 (i) the list compiled under Subsection (2); and

8986 (ii) a statement that:

8987 (A) the list is for informational purposes only;

8988 (B) the list should not be relied on to determine a person's tax liability under this  
8989 chapter; and

8990 (C) for specific information related to the tax liability of a taxpayer, the taxpayer  
8991 should review the taxpayer's tax notice received under Section [59-2-919.1](#).

8992 (b) Except as provided in Subsection (3)(d)(ii), the information described in Subsection  
8993 (3)(a) shall be published:

8994 (i) in no less than 1/4 page in size;

8995 (ii) in type no smaller than 18 point; and

8996 (iii) surrounded by a 1/4-inch border.

8997 (c) The published information described in Subsection (3)(a) and published in  
8998 accordance with Subsection (3)(d)(i) may not be placed in the portion of a newspaper where a  
8999 legal notice or classified advertisement appears.

9000 (d) A county auditor shall publish the information described in Subsection (3)(a):

9001 (i) (A) in a newspaper or combination of newspapers that are:

9002 (I) published at least one day per week;

9003 (II) of general interest and readership in the county; and

9004 (III) not of limited subject matter; and

9005 (B) once each week for the two weeks preceding the first hearing included in the list  
9006 compiled under Subsection (2); and

9007 (ii) for two weeks preceding the the day of the first hearing included in the list  
9008 compiled under Subsection (2):

9009 (A) as required in Section [45-1-101](#); and

9010 [~~(B) on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section [63A-16-601](#)]~~

9011 (B) for the county, as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#).

9012 (4) A taxing entity that notifies the county auditor under Subsection (1) shall provide  
9013 the list described in Subsection (2)(c) to a person:

9014 (a) who attends the public hearing described in Subsection 59-2-919(8)(a)(i) of the  
9015 taxing entity; or

9016 (b) who requests a copy of the list.

9017 (5) (a) A county auditor shall by no later than 30 days from the day on which the last  
9018 publication of the information required by Subsection (3)(a) is made:

9019 (i) determine the costs of compiling and publishing the list; and

9020 (ii) charge each taxing entity included on the list an amount calculated by dividing the  
9021 amount determined under Subsection (5)(a) by the number of taxing entities on the list.

9022 (b) A taxing entity shall pay the county auditor the amount charged under Subsection  
9023 (5)(a).

9024 (6) The publication of the list under this section does not remove or change the notice  
9025 requirements of Section 59-2-919 for a taxing entity.

9026 (7) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the  
9027 commission may make rules:

9028 (a) relating to the publication of a consolidated advertisement which includes the  
9029 information described in Subsection (2) for a taxing entity that overlaps two or more counties;

9030 (b) relating to the payment required in Subsection (5)(b); and

9031 (c) to oversee the administration of this section and provide for uniform  
9032 implementation.

9033 Section 157. Section 59-12-402 is amended to read:

9034 **59-12-402. Additional resort communities sales and use tax -- Base -- Rate --**

9035 **Collection fees -- Resolution and voter approval requirements -- Election requirements --**

9036 **Notice requirements -- Ordinance requirements -- Prohibition of military installation**  
9037 **development authority imposition of tax.**

9038 (1) (a) Subject to Subsections (2) through (6), the governing body of a municipality in  
9039 which the transient room capacity as defined in Section 59-12-405 is greater than or equal to  
9040 66% of the municipality's permanent census population may, in addition to the sales tax  
9041 authorized under Section 59-12-401, impose an additional resort communities sales tax in an  
9042 amount that is less than or equal to .5% on the transactions described in Subsection

9043 59-12-103(1) located within the municipality.

9044 (b) Notwithstanding Subsection (1)(a), the governing body of a municipality may not  
9045 impose a tax under this section on:

9046 (i) the sale of:

9047 (A) a motor vehicle;

9048 (B) an aircraft;

9049 (C) a watercraft;

9050 (D) a modular home;

9051 (E) a manufactured home; or

9052 (F) a mobile home;

9053 (ii) the sales and uses described in Section 59-12-104 to the extent the sales and uses  
9054 are exempt from taxation under Section 59-12-104; and

9055 (iii) except as provided in Subsection (1)(d), amounts paid or charged for food and  
9056 food ingredients.

9057 (c) For purposes of this Subsection (1), the location of a transaction shall be  
9058 determined in accordance with Sections 59-12-211 through 59-12-215.

9059 (d) A municipality imposing a tax under this section shall impose the tax on the  
9060 purchase price or sales price for amounts paid or charged for food and food ingredients if the  
9061 food and food ingredients are sold as part of a bundled transaction attributable to food and food  
9062 ingredients and tangible personal property other than food and food ingredients.

9063 (2) (a) An amount equal to the total of any costs incurred by the state in connection  
9064 with the implementation of Subsection (1) which exceed, in any year, the revenues received by  
9065 the state from its collection fees received in connection with the implementation of Subsection  
9066 (1) shall be paid over to the state General Fund by the cities and towns which impose the tax  
9067 provided for in Subsection (1).

9068 (b) Amounts paid under Subsection (2)(a) shall be allocated proportionally among  
9069 those cities and towns according to the amount of revenue the respective cities and towns  
9070 generate in that year through imposition of that tax.

9071 (3) To impose an additional resort communities sales tax under this section, the  
9072 governing body of the municipality shall:

9073 (a) pass a resolution approving the tax; and

9074 (b) except as provided in Subsection (6), obtain voter approval for the tax as provided  
9075 in Subsection (4).

9076 (4) To obtain voter approval for an additional resort communities sales tax under  
9077 Subsection (3)(b), a municipality shall:

9078 (a) hold the additional resort communities sales tax election during:

9079 (i) a regular general election; or

9080 (ii) a municipal general election; and

9081 (b) post notice of the election[?] for the municipality, as a class A notice under Section  
9082 63G-28-102, for at least 15 days before the day on which the election is held.

9083 [~~i) 15 days or more before the day on which the election is held; and]~~

9084 [~~ii) on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601.~~]

9085 (5) An ordinance approving an additional resort communities sales tax under this  
9086 section shall provide an effective date for the tax as provided in Section 59-12-403.

9087 (6) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (6)(b), a municipality is not subject to the  
9088 voter approval requirements of Subsection (3)(b) if, on or before January 1, 1996, the  
9089 municipality imposed a license fee or tax on businesses based on gross receipts pursuant to  
9090 Section 10-1-203.

9091 (b) The exception from the voter approval requirements in Subsection (6)(a) does not  
9092 apply to a municipality that, on or before January 1, 1996, imposed a license fee or tax on only  
9093 one class of businesses based on gross receipts pursuant to Section 10-1-203.

9094 (7) A military installation development authority authorized to impose a resort  
9095 communities tax under Section 59-12-401 may not impose an additional resort communities  
9096 sales tax under this section.

9097 Section 158. Section 59-12-1102 is amended to read:

9098 **59-12-1102. Base -- Rate -- Imposition of tax -- Distribution of revenue --**  
9099 **Administration -- Administrative charge -- Commission requirement to retain an amount**  
9100 **to be deposited into the Qualified Emergency Food Agencies Fund -- Enactment or repeal**  
9101 **of tax -- Effective date -- Notice requirements.**

9102 (1) (a) (i) Subject to Subsections (2) through (6), and in addition to any other tax  
9103 authorized by this chapter, a county may impose by ordinance a county option sales and use tax  
9104 of .25% upon the transactions described in Subsection 59-12-103(1).

9105 (ii) Notwithstanding Subsection (1)(a)(i), a county may not impose a tax under this  
9106 section on the sales and uses described in Section 59-12-104 to the extent the sales and uses are  
9107 exempt from taxation under Section 59-12-104.

9108 (b) For purposes of this Subsection (1), the location of a transaction shall be  
9109 determined in accordance with Sections 59-12-211 through 59-12-215.

9110 (c) The county option sales and use tax under this section shall be imposed:

9111 (i) upon transactions that are located within the county, including transactions that are  
9112 located within municipalities in the county; and

9113 (ii) except as provided in Subsection (1)(d) or (5), beginning on the first day of  
9114 January:

9115 (A) of the next calendar year after adoption of the ordinance imposing the tax if the  
9116 ordinance is adopted on or before May 25; or

9117 (B) of the second calendar year after adoption of the ordinance imposing the tax if the  
9118 ordinance is adopted after May 25.

9119 (d) The county option sales and use tax under this section shall be imposed:

9120 (i) beginning January 1, 1998, if an ordinance adopting the tax imposed on or before  
9121 September 4, 1997; or

9122 (ii) beginning January 1, 1999, if an ordinance adopting the tax is imposed during 1997  
9123 but after September 4, 1997.

9124 (2) (a) Before imposing a county option sales and use tax under Subsection (1), a  
9125 county shall hold two public hearings on separate days in geographically diverse locations in  
9126 the county.

9127 (b) (i) At least one of the hearings required by Subsection (2)(a) shall have a starting  
9128 time of no earlier than 6 p.m.

9129 (ii) The earlier of the hearings required by Subsection (2)(a) shall be no less than seven  
9130 days after the day the first advertisement required by Subsection (2)(c) is published.

9131 (c) (i) Before holding the public hearings required by Subsection (2)(a), the county  
9132 shall advertise:

9133 (A) its intent to adopt a county option sales and use tax;

9134 (B) the date, time, and location of each public hearing; and

9135 (C) a statement that the purpose of each public hearing is to obtain public comments

9136 regarding the proposed tax.

9137 (ii) The advertisement shall be published:

9138 (A) in a newspaper of general circulation in the county once each week for the two  
9139 weeks preceding the earlier of the two public hearings; and

9140 (B) [~~on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601~~] for the county,  
9141 as a class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for two weeks [~~preceding~~] before the [~~earlier of~~]  
9142 day on which the first of the two public hearings is held.

9143 (iii) The advertisement described in Subsection (2)(c)(ii)(A) shall be no less than 1/8  
9144 page in size, and the type used shall be no smaller than 18 point and surrounded by a 1/4-inch  
9145 border.

9146 (iv) The advertisement described in Subsection (2)(c)(ii)(A) may not be placed in that  
9147 portion of the newspaper where legal notices and classified advertisements appear.

9148 (v) In accordance with Subsection (2)(c)(ii)(A), whenever possible:

9149 (A) the advertisement shall appear in a newspaper that is published at least five days a  
9150 week, unless the only newspaper in the county is published less than five days a week; and

9151 (B) the newspaper selected shall be one of general interest and readership in the  
9152 community, and not one of limited subject matter.

9153 (d) The adoption of an ordinance imposing a county option sales and use tax is subject  
9154 to a local referendum election and shall be conducted as provided in Title 20A, Chapter 7, Part  
9155 6, Local Referenda - Procedures.

9156 (3) (a) Subject to Subsection (5), if the aggregate population of the counties imposing a  
9157 county option sales and use tax under Subsection (1) is less than 75% of the state population,  
9158 the tax levied under Subsection (1) shall be distributed to the county in which the tax was  
9159 collected.

9160 (b) Subject to Subsection (5), if the aggregate population of the counties imposing a  
9161 county option sales and use tax under Subsection (1) is greater than or equal to 75% of the state  
9162 population:

9163 (i) 50% of the tax collected under Subsection (1) in each county shall be distributed to  
9164 the county in which the tax was collected; and

9165 (ii) except as provided in Subsection (3)(c), 50% of the tax collected under Subsection  
9166 (1) in each county shall be distributed proportionately among all counties imposing the tax,

9167 based on the total population of each county.

9168 (c) Except as provided in Subsection (5), the amount to be distributed annually to a  
9169 county under Subsection (3)(b)(ii), when combined with the amount distributed to the county  
9170 under Subsection (3)(b)(i), does not equal at least \$75,000, then:

9171 (i) the amount to be distributed annually to that county under Subsection (3)(b)(ii) shall  
9172 be increased so that, when combined with the amount distributed to the county under  
9173 Subsection (3)(b)(i), the amount distributed annually to the county is \$75,000; and

9174 (ii) the amount to be distributed annually to all other counties under Subsection  
9175 (3)(b)(ii) shall be reduced proportionately to offset the additional amount distributed under  
9176 Subsection (3)(c)(i).

9177 (d) The commission shall establish rules to implement the distribution of the tax under  
9178 Subsections (3)(a), (b), and (c).

9179 (4) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (4)(b) or (c), a tax authorized under this part  
9180 shall be administered, collected, and enforced in accordance with:

9181 (i) the same procedures used to administer, collect, and enforce the tax under:

9182 (A) Part 1, Tax Collection; or

9183 (B) Part 2, Local Sales and Use Tax Act; and

9184 (ii) Chapter 1, General Taxation Policies.

9185 (b) A tax under this part is not subject to Subsections 59-12-205(2) through (6).

9186 (c) (i) Subject to Subsection (4)(c)(ii), the commission shall retain and deposit an  
9187 administrative charge in accordance with Section 59-1-306 from the revenue the commission  
9188 collects from a tax under this part.

9189 (ii) Notwithstanding Section 59-1-306, the administrative charge described in  
9190 Subsection (4)(c)(i) shall be calculated by taking a percentage described in Section 59-1-306 of  
9191 the distribution amounts resulting after:

9192 (A) the applicable distribution calculations under Subsection (3) have been made; and

9193 (B) the commission retains the amount required by Subsection (5).

9194 (5) (a) Beginning on July 1, 2009, the commission shall calculate and retain a portion  
9195 of the sales and use tax collected under this part as provided in this Subsection (5).

9196 (b) For a county that imposes a tax under this part, the commission shall calculate a  
9197 percentage each month by dividing the sales and use tax collected under this part for that

9198 month within the boundaries of that county by the total sales and use tax collected under this  
9199 part for that month within the boundaries of all of the counties that impose a tax under this part.

9200 (c) For a county that imposes a tax under this part, the commission shall retain each  
9201 month an amount equal to the product of:

9202 (i) the percentage the commission determines for the month under Subsection (5)(b)  
9203 for the county; and

9204 (ii) \$6,354.

9205 (d) The commission shall deposit an amount the commission retains in accordance  
9206 with this Subsection (5) into the Qualified Emergency Food Agencies Fund created by Section  
9207 [35A-8-1009](#).

9208 (e) An amount the commission deposits into the Qualified Emergency Food Agencies  
9209 Fund shall be expended as provided in Section [35A-8-1009](#).

9210 (6) (a) For purposes of this Subsection (6):

9211 (i) "Annexation" means an annexation to a county under Title 17, Chapter 2, County  
9212 Consolidations and Annexations.

9213 (ii) "Annexing area" means an area that is annexed into a county.

9214 (b) (i) Except as provided in Subsection (6)(c) or (d), if, on or after July 1, 2004, a  
9215 county enacts or repeals a tax under this part:

9216 (A) (I) the enactment shall take effect as provided in Subsection (1)(c); or

9217 (II) the repeal shall take effect on the first day of a calendar quarter; and

9218 (B) after a 90-day period beginning on the date the commission receives notice meeting  
9219 the requirements of Subsection (6)(b)(ii) from the county.

9220 (ii) The notice described in Subsection (6)(b)(i)(B) shall state:

9221 (A) that the county will enact or repeal a tax under this part;

9222 (B) the statutory authority for the tax described in Subsection (6)(b)(ii)(A);

9223 (C) the effective date of the tax described in Subsection (6)(b)(ii)(A); and

9224 (D) if the county enacts the tax described in Subsection (6)(b)(ii)(A), the rate of the  
9225 tax.

9226 (c) (i) If the billing period for a transaction begins before the effective date of the  
9227 enactment of the tax under Subsection (1), the enactment of the tax takes effect on the first day  
9228 of the first billing period that begins on or after the effective date of the enactment of the tax.

9229 (ii) The repeal of a tax applies to a billing period if the billing statement for the billing  
9230 period is produced on or after the effective date of the repeal of the tax imposed under  
9231 Subsection (1).

9232 (d) (i) If a tax due under this chapter on a catalogue sale is computed on the basis of  
9233 sales and use tax rates published in the catalogue, an enactment or repeal of a tax described in  
9234 Subsection (6)(b)(i) takes effect:

9235 (A) on the first day of a calendar quarter; and

9236 (B) beginning 60 days after the effective date of the enactment or repeal under  
9237 Subsection (6)(b)(i).

9238 (ii) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the  
9239 commission may by rule define the term "catalogue sale."

9240 (e) (i) Except as provided in Subsection (6)(f) or (g), if, for an annexation that occurs  
9241 on or after July 1, 2004, the annexation will result in the enactment or repeal of a tax under this  
9242 part for an annexing area, the enactment or repeal shall take effect:

9243 (A) on the first day of a calendar quarter; and

9244 (B) after a 90-day period beginning on the date the commission receives notice meeting  
9245 the requirements of Subsection (6)(e)(ii) from the county that annexes the annexing area.

9246 (ii) The notice described in Subsection (6)(e)(i)(B) shall state:

9247 (A) that the annexation described in Subsection (6)(e)(i) will result in an enactment or  
9248 repeal of a tax under this part for the annexing area;

9249 (B) the statutory authority for the tax described in Subsection (6)(e)(ii)(A);

9250 (C) the effective date of the tax described in Subsection (6)(e)(ii)(A); and

9251 (D) the rate of the tax described in Subsection (6)(e)(ii)(A).

9252 (f) (i) If the billing period for a transaction begins before the effective date of the  
9253 enactment of the tax under Subsection (1), the enactment of the tax takes effect on the first day  
9254 of the first billing period that begins on or after the effective date of the enactment of the tax.

9255 (ii) The repeal of a tax applies to a billing period if the billing statement for the billing  
9256 period is produced on or after the effective date of the repeal of the tax imposed under  
9257 Subsection (1).

9258 (g) (i) If a tax due under this chapter on a catalogue sale is computed on the basis of  
9259 sales and use tax rates published in the catalogue, an enactment or repeal of a tax described in

9260 Subsection (6)(e)(i) takes effect:

9261 (A) on the first day of a calendar quarter; and

9262 (B) beginning 60 days after the effective date of the enactment or repeal under

9263 Subsection (6)(e)(i).

9264 (ii) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the  
9265 commission may by rule define the term "catalogue sale."

9266 Section 159. Section **59-12-2208** is amended to read:

9267 **59-12-2208. Legislative body approval requirements -- Notice -- Voter approval**  
9268 **requirements.**

9269 (1) Subject to the other provisions of this section, before imposing a sales and use tax  
9270 under this part, a county, city, or town legislative body shall:

9271 (a) obtain approval to impose the sales and use tax from a majority of the members of  
9272 the county, city, or town legislative body; and

9273 (b) submit an opinion question to the county's, city's, or town's registered voters voting  
9274 on the imposition of the sales and use tax so that each registered voter has the opportunity to  
9275 express the registered voter's opinion on whether a sales and use tax should be imposed under  
9276 this section.

9277 (2) The opinion question required by this section shall state:

9278 "Shall (insert the name of the county, city, or town), Utah, be authorized to impose a  
9279 (insert the tax rate of the sales and use tax) sales and use tax for (list the purposes for which the  
9280 revenues collected from the sales and use tax shall be expended)?"

9281 (3) (a) Subject to Subsection (3)(b), the election required by this section shall be held:

9282 (i) at a regular general election conducted in accordance with the procedures and  
9283 requirements of Title 20A, Election Code, governing regular general elections; or

9284 (ii) at a municipal general election conducted in accordance with the procedures and  
9285 requirements of Section [20A-1-202](#).

9286 (b) (i) Subject to Subsection (3)(b)(ii), the county clerk of the county in which the  
9287 opinion question required by this section will be submitted to registered voters shall~~[-no later~~  
9288 ~~than]~~:

9289 (A) provide notice for the county, city, or town, as a class A notice under Section  
9290 [63G-28-102](#), for at least 15 days before the date of the election[+]; and

9291 ~~[(A) post a notice on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section [63A-16-601](#);~~  
9292 ~~or]~~

9293 ~~[(B) (i) cause a copy of the notice to be posted in a conspicuous place most likely to~~  
9294 ~~give notice of the election to the registered voters voting on the imposition of the sales and use~~  
9295 ~~tax; and]~~

9296 ~~[(H)] (B)~~ prepare an affidavit of that posting, showing a copy of the notice and the  
9297 places where the notice was posted.

9298 (ii) The notice under Subsection (3)(b)(i) shall:

9299 (A) state that an opinion question will be submitted to the county's, city's, or town's  
9300 registered voters voting on the imposition of a sales and use tax under this section so that each  
9301 registered voter has the opportunity to express the registered voter's opinion on whether a sales  
9302 and use tax should be imposed under this section; and

9303 (B) list the purposes for which the revenues collected from the sales and use tax shall  
9304 be expended.

9305 (4) A county, city, or town that submits an opinion question to registered voters under  
9306 this section is subject to Section [20A-11-1203](#).

9307 (5) Subject to Section [59-12-2209](#), if a county, city, or town legislative body  
9308 determines that a majority of the county's, city's, or town's registered voters voting on the  
9309 imposition of a sales and use tax under this part have voted in favor of the imposition of the  
9310 sales and use tax in accordance with this section, the county, city, or town legislative body shall  
9311 impose the sales and use tax.

9312 (6) If, after imposing a sales and use tax under this part, a county, city, or town  
9313 legislative body seeks to impose a tax rate for the sales and use tax that exceeds or is less than  
9314 the tax rate stated in the opinion question described in Subsection (2) or repeals the tax rate  
9315 stated in the opinion question described in Subsection (2), the county, city, or town legislative  
9316 body shall:

9317 (a) obtain approval from a majority of the members of the county, city, or town  
9318 legislative body to impose a tax rate for the sales and use tax that exceeds or is less than the tax  
9319 rate stated in the opinion question described in Subsection (2) or repeals the tax rate stated in  
9320 the opinion question described in Subsection (2); and

9321 (b) in accordance with the procedures and requirements of this section, submit an

9322 opinion question to the county's, city's, or town's registered voters voting on the tax rate so that  
9323 each registered voter has the opportunity to express the registered voter's opinion on whether to  
9324 impose a tax rate for the sales and use tax that exceeds or is less than the tax rate stated in the  
9325 opinion question described in Subsection (2) or repeal the tax rate stated in the opinion  
9326 question described in Subsection (2).

9327 Section 160. Section **62A-5-202.5** is amended to read:

9328 **62A-5-202.5. Utah State Developmental Center Board -- Creation -- Membership**  
9329 **-- Duties -- Powers.**

9330 (1) There is created the Utah State Developmental Center Board within the Department  
9331 of Health and Human Services.

9332 (2) The board is composed of nine members as follows:

9333 (a) the director of the division or the director's designee;

9334 (b) the superintendent of the developmental center or the superintendent's designee;

9335 (c) the executive director of the Department of Health and Human Services or the  
9336 executive director's designee;

9337 (d) a resident of the developmental center selected by the superintendent; and

9338 (e) five members appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the Senate  
9339 as follows:

9340 (i) three members of the general public; and

9341 (ii) two members who are parents or guardians of individuals who receive services at  
9342 the developmental center.

9343 (3) In making appointments to the board, the governor shall ensure that:

9344 (a) no more than three members have immediate family residing at the developmental  
9345 center; and

9346 (b) members represent a variety of geographic areas and economic interests of the state.

9347 (4) (a) The governor shall appoint each member described in Subsection (2)(e) for a  
9348 term of four years.

9349 (b) An appointed member may not serve more than two full consecutive terms unless  
9350 the governor determines that an additional term is in the best interest of the state.

9351 (c) Notwithstanding the requirements of Subsections (4)(a) and (b), the governor shall,  
9352 at the time of appointment or reappointment, adjust the length of terms to ensure that the terms

9353 of appointed members are staggered so that approximately half of the appointed members are  
9354 appointed every two years.

9355 (d) Appointed members shall continue in office until the expiration of their terms and  
9356 until their successors are appointed, which may not exceed 120 days after the formal expiration  
9357 of a term.

9358 (e) When a vacancy occurs in the membership for any reason, the replacement shall be  
9359 appointed for the unexpired term.

9360 (5) (a) The director shall serve as the chair.

9361 (b) The board shall appoint a member to serve as vice chair.

9362 (c) The board shall hold meetings quarterly or as needed.

9363 (d) Five members are necessary to constitute a quorum at any meeting, and, if a  
9364 quorum exists, the action of the majority of members present shall be the action of the board.

9365 (e) The chair shall be a non-voting member except that the chair may vote to break a tie  
9366 vote between the voting members.

9367 (6) An appointed member may not receive compensation or benefits for the member's  
9368 service, but, at the executive director's discretion, may receive per diem and travel expenses in  
9369 accordance with:

9370 (a) Section [63A-3-106](#);

9371 (b) Section [63A-3-107](#); and

9372 (c) rules made by the Division of Finance pursuant to Sections [63A-3-106](#) and  
9373 [63A-3-107](#).

9374 (7) (a) The board shall adopt bylaws governing the board's activities.

9375 (b) Bylaws shall include procedures for removal of a member who is unable or  
9376 unwilling to fulfill the requirements of the member's appointment.

9377 (8) The board shall:

9378 (a) act for the benefit of the developmental center and the division;

9379 (b) advise and assist the division with the division's functions, operations, and duties  
9380 related to the developmental center, described in Sections [62A-5-102](#), [62A-5-103](#), [62A-5-201](#),  
9381 [62A-5-203](#), and [62A-5-206](#);

9382 (c) administer the Utah State Developmental Center Miscellaneous Donation Fund, as  
9383 described in Section [62A-5-206.5](#);

- 9384 (d) administer the Utah State Developmental Center Land Fund, as described in  
9385 Section [62A-5-206.6](#);
- 9386 (e) approve the sale, lease, or other disposition of real property or water rights  
9387 associated with the developmental center, as described in Subsection [62A-5-206.6\(2\)](#); and
- 9388 (f) within 21 days after the day on which the board receives the notice required under  
9389 Subsection [~~10-2-419(3)(c)~~] [10-2-419\(3\)\(b\)](#), provide a written opinion regarding the proposed  
9390 boundary adjustment to:
- 9391 (i) the director of the Division of Facilities and Construction Management; and  
9392 (ii) the Legislative Management Committee.
- 9393 Section 161. Section **63A-5b-305** is amended to read:
- 9394 **63A-5b-305. Duties and authority of director.**
- 9395 (1) The director shall:
- 9396 (a) administer the division's duties and responsibilities;
- 9397 (b) report all property acquired by the state, except property acquired by an institution  
9398 of higher education or the trust lands administration, to the director of the Division of Finance  
9399 for inclusion in the state's financial records;
- 9400 (c) after receiving the notice required under Subsection [~~10-2-419(3)(c)~~]  
9401 [10-2-419\(3\)\(b\)](#), file a written protest at or before the public hearing under Subsection  
9402 [10-2-419\(2\)\(b\)](#), if:
- 9403 (i) it is in the best interest of the state to protest the boundary adjustment; or  
9404 (ii) the Legislature instructs the director to protest the boundary adjustment; and
- 9405 (d) take all other action that the director is required to take under this chapter or other  
9406 applicable statute.
- 9407 (2) The director may:
- 9408 (a) create forms and make policies necessary for the division or director to perform the  
9409 division or director's duties;
- 9410 (b) (i) hire or otherwise procure assistance and service, professional, skilled, or  
9411 otherwise, necessary to carry out the director's duties under this chapter; and  
9412 (ii) expend funds provided for the purpose described in Subsection (2)(b)(i) through  
9413 annual operation budget appropriations or from other nonlapsing project funds;
- 9414 (c) in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act,

9415 make rules necessary for the division or director to perform the division or director's duties;  
9416 and

9417 (d) take all other action necessary for carrying out the purposes of this chapter.

9418 Section 162. Section **63A-16-602** is amended to read:

9419 **63A-16-602. Notice and training by the Division of Archives and Records Service.**

9420 (1) The Division of Archives and Records Service shall provide notice of the  
9421 provisions and requirements of this chapter to all public bodies that are subject to the provision  
9422 of Subsection [~~52-4-202(3)(a)(ii)~~] 52-4-202(3)(a).

9423 (2) The Division of Archives and Records Service shall, as necessary, provide periodic  
9424 training on the use of the website to public bodies that are authorized to post notice on the  
9425 website.

9426 Section 163. Section **63G-28-101** is enacted to read:

9427 **CHAPTER 28. PUBLIC NOTICE**

9428 **63G-28-101. Definitions.**

9429 As used in this chapter:

9430 (1) "Affected area" means:

9431 (a) the area that is designated in statute, county ordinance, or municipal ordinance as  
9432 the area for which public notice must be provided;

9433 (b) in relation to a statute, if no affected area is designated in the statute, the affected  
9434 area is the state;

9435 (c) in relation to a county ordinance, if no affected area is designated in the county  
9436 ordinance, the affected area is the county; or

9437 (d) in relation to a municipal ordinance, if no affected area is designated in the  
9438 municipal ordinance, the affected area is the municipality.

9439 (2) "Government official" means an individual elected or appointed to a state office,  
9440 county office, municipal office, school board, school district office, local district office, or  
9441 special service district office.

9442 (3) "Notice summary statement" means a statement that includes the following in  
9443 relation to a public notice:

9444 (a) a title that accurately describes the purpose or subject of the public notice;

9445 (b) the name of the public body, or the name and title of the government official, that

9446 provides the public notice;

9447 (c) a statement that clearly describes the matter for which the public notice is given;

9448 (d) a general description of the area to which the public notice relates;

9449 (e) the dates and deadlines applicable to the matter for which the public notice is given;

9450 and

9451 (f) information specifying where a person may obtain a copy of the complete public

9452 notice, including:

9453 (i) the web address for the Utah Public Notice Website;

9454 (ii) if the public body or government official maintains a public website, the web

9455 address where the public notice is located;

9456 (iii) the address of a physical location where a copy of the public notice may be viewed

9457 or obtained; and

9458 (iv) a telephone number that an individual may call to request a copy of the public

9459 notice.

9460 (4) "Public body" means the same as that term is defined in Section [52-4-103](#).

9461 (5) "Public location" means:

9462 (a) a location that is open to the general public, regardless of whether the location is  
9463 owned by a public entity, a private entity, or an individual; or

9464 (b) a location that is not open to the general public, but where the notice is clearly  
9465 visible to, and may easily be read by, an individual while the individual is present in a location  
9466 described in Subsection (5)(a).

9467 (6) "Public notice" means a notice that is required to be provided to the public by a  
9468 public body or a government official.

9469 (7) "Utah Public Notice Website" means the Utah Public Notice Website created in  
9470 Section [63A-16-601](#).

9471 Section 164. Section **63G-28-102** is enacted to read:

9472 **63G-28-102. Public notice classifications and requirements.**

9473 (1) A public body or a government official that is required to provide a class A notice:

9474 (a) shall publish the public notice on the Utah Public Notice Website;

9475 (b) shall publish the public notice on the public body's or government official's official  
9476 website, if the public body or government official:

- 9477 (i) maintains an official website; and
- 9478 (ii) has an annual operating budget of \$250,000 or more; and
- 9479 (c) except as provided in Subsection (4), and subject to Subsection (5), post the public
- 9480 notice in connection with the affected area as follows:
- 9481 (i) if the affected area is a municipality with a population of less than 2,000, in a public
- 9482 location in or near the affected area that is reasonably likely to be seen by residents of the
- 9483 affected area;
- 9484 (ii) if the affected area is a proposed municipality with a population of less than 2,000,
- 9485 in a public location in or near the affected area that is reasonably likely to be seen by residents
- 9486 of the affected area;
- 9487 (iii) if the affected area is an area other than an area described in Subsections (1)(c)(i),
- 9488 (1)(c)(ii), or (1)(c)(iv) through (viii), in a public location in or near the affected area that is
- 9489 reasonably likely to be seen by:
- 9490 (A) residents of the affected area; or
- 9491 (B) if there are no residents within the affected area, individuals who pass through or
- 9492 near the affected area;
- 9493 (iv) if the affected area is a county, in a public location within the county that is
- 9494 reasonably likely to be seen by residents of the county;
- 9495 (v) if the affected area is a municipality with a population of 2,000 or more, or a
- 9496 proposed municipality with a population of 2,000 or more, in a public location within the
- 9497 municipality or proposed municipality that is reasonably likely to be seen by residents of the
- 9498 municipality or proposed municipality;
- 9499 (vi) if the affected area is a public street, on or adjacent to the public street;
- 9500 (vii) if the affected area is an easement:
- 9501 (A) on or adjacent to the easement; or
- 9502 (B) in a public location that is reasonably likely to be seen by persons who are likely to
- 9503 be impacted by the easement; or
- 9504 (viii) if the affected area is an interlocal entity, within, or as applicable near, each
- 9505 jurisdiction that is part of the interlocal entity, in accordance with the provisions of this
- 9506 Subsection (1) that apply to that jurisdiction.
- 9507 (2) Subject to Subsection (5), a public body or a government official that is required to

9508 provide a class B notice shall:

9509 (a) comply with the requirements described in Subsection (1) for a class A notice;

9510 (b) if a statute, county ordinance, or municipal ordinance requires that the notice be  
9511 provided for a designated geographic area, mail or otherwise deliver the public notice or a  
9512 notice summary statement to each residence within, and, in accordance with Subsection (3), to  
9513 each owner of real property located within, the designated geographic area; and

9514 (c) if a statute, county ordinance, or municipal ordinance requires that the notice be  
9515 provided to one or more designated persons or real property owners, mail or otherwise deliver  
9516 the public notice or a notice summary statement, in accordance with Subsection (3), to each  
9517 designated person and real property owner.

9518 (3) When providing notice to a real property owner under Subsection (2)(b) or (c), the  
9519 public body or government official shall:

9520 (a) use the current residential or business address of the real property owner;

9521 (b) if the public body or government official is not reasonably able to obtain the  
9522 address described in Subsection (3)(a), use the last known address of the real property owner  
9523 that the public body or government official is able to obtain via a reasonable inquiry into public  
9524 records; or

9525 (c) if the public body or government official is not reasonably able to obtain an address  
9526 described in Subsection (3)(a) or (b), post the notice on the real property.

9527 (4) A government official, a public body, or any other body that is required to post  
9528 notice under Subsection (1) is not required to comply with Subsection (1)(c) if:

9529 (a) the affected area is the state;

9530 (b) the body is a specified body, as defined in Section [52-4-103](#);

9531 (c) the public body is the Legislature or a public body within the state legislative  
9532 branch; or

9533 (d) the government official is required to post the notice on behalf of a body described  
9534 in Subsection (4)(b) or (c).

9535 (5) If a statute, ordinance, or rule requires a public body or government official to  
9536 provide notice for a period of time:

9537 (a) in relation to posting the notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, the requirement  
9538 is not violated due to temporary technological issues that interrupt the posting, unless the

- 9539 posting is interrupted for more than 25% of the required posting time;
- 9540 (b) in relation to posting the notice in a physical location, the requirement is fulfilled if:
- 9541 (i) the notice is posted at or, except to the extent prohibited by law, before the
- 9542 beginning of the period of time;
- 9543 (ii) the public body or government official does not remove the posting before the end
- 9544 of the period of time; and
- 9545 (iii) until the end of the period of time, the public body or government official:
- 9546 (A) periodically verifies that the notice remains in place; and
- 9547 (B) replaces the notice within a reasonable time after discovering that the notice has
- 9548 been removed or damaged; and
- 9549 (c) in relation to mailing, sending, or otherwise delivering notice to a person, the
- 9550 mailing is made at or, except to the extent prohibited by law, before, the beginning of the
- 9551 period of time.
- 9552 Section 165. Section **63H-1-202** is amended to read:
- 9553 **63H-1-202. Applicability of other law.**
- 9554 (1) As used in this section:
- 9555 (a) "Subsidiary" means an authority subsidiary that is a public body as defined in
- 9556 Section [52-4-103](#).
- 9557 (b) "Subsidiary board" means the governing body of a subsidiary.
- 9558 (2) The authority or land within a project area is not subject to:
- 9559 (a) Title 10, Chapter 9a, Municipal Land Use, Development, and Management Act;
- 9560 (b) Title 17, Chapter 27a, County Land Use, Development, and Management Act;
- 9561 (c) ordinances or regulations of a county or municipality, including those relating to
- 9562 land use, health, business license, or franchise; or
- 9563 (d) the jurisdiction of a local district under Title 17B, Limited Purpose Local
- 9564 Government Entities - Local Districts, or a special service district under Title 17D, Chapter 1,
- 9565 Special Service District Act.
- 9566 (3) The authority is subject to and governed by Sections [63E-2-106](#), [63E-2-107](#),
- 9567 [63E-2-108](#), [63E-2-109](#), [63E-2-110](#), and [63E-2-111](#), but is not otherwise subject to or governed
- 9568 by Title 63E, Independent Entities Code.
- 9569 (4) (a) The definitions in Section [57-8-3](#) apply to this Subsection (4).

9570 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of Title 57, Chapter 8, Condominium Ownership  
9571 Act, or any other provision of law:

9572 (i) if the military is the owner of land in a project area on which a condominium project  
9573 is constructed, the military is not required to sign, execute, or record a declaration of a  
9574 condominium project; and

9575 (ii) if a condominium unit in a project area is owned by the military or owned by the  
9576 authority and leased to the military for \$1 or less per calendar year, not including any common  
9577 charges that are reimbursements for actual expenses:

9578 (A) the condominium unit is not subject to any liens under Title 57, Chapter 8,  
9579 Condominium Ownership Act;

9580 (B) condominium unit owners within the same building or commercial condominium  
9581 project may agree on any method of allocation and payment of common area expenses,  
9582 regardless of the size or par value of each unit; and

9583 (C) the condominium project may not be dissolved without the consent of all the  
9584 condominium unit owners.

9585 (5) Notwithstanding any other provision, when a law requires the consent of a local  
9586 government, the authority is the consenting entity for a project area.

9587 (6) (a) A department, division, or other agency of the state and a political subdivision  
9588 of the state shall cooperate with the authority to the fullest extent possible to provide whatever  
9589 support, information, or other assistance the authority requests that is reasonably necessary to  
9590 help the authority fulfill the authority's duties and responsibilities under this chapter.

9591 (b) Subsection (6)(a) does not apply to a political subdivision that does not have any of  
9592 a project area located within the boundary of the political subdivision.

9593 (7) (a) The authority and a subsidiary are subject to Title 52, Chapter 4, Open and  
9594 Public Meetings Act, except that:

9595 (i) notwithstanding Section [52-4-104](#), the timing and nature of training to authority  
9596 board members or subsidiary board members on the requirements of Title 52, Chapter 4, Open  
9597 and Public Meetings Act, may be determined by:

9598 (A) the board chair, for the authority board; or

9599 (B) the subsidiary board chair, for a subsidiary board;

9600 (ii) authority staff may adopt a rule governing the use of electronic meetings under

9601 Section [52-4-207](#), if, under Subsection [63H-1-301\(3\)](#), the board delegates to authority staff the  
9602 power to adopt the rule; and

9603 (iii) for an electronic meeting of the authority board or subsidiary board that otherwise  
9604 complies with Section [52-4-207](#), the authority board or subsidiary board, respectively:

9605 (A) is not required to establish an anchor location; and

9606 (B) may convene and conduct the meeting without the written determination otherwise  
9607 required under Subsection [52-4-207\(4\)](#).

9608 (b) Except as provided in Subsection (7)(c), the authority is not required to physically  
9609 post notice notwithstanding any other provision of law.

9610 (c) The authority shall physically post notice in accordance with Subsection  
9611 ~~[[52-4-202\(3\)\(a\)\(i\)](#)]~~ [52-4-202\(3\)\(a\)](#).

9612 (8) The authority and a subsidiary are subject to Title 63G, Chapter 2, Government  
9613 Records Access and Management Act, except that:

9614 (a) notwithstanding Section [63G-2-701](#):

9615 (i) the authority may establish an appeals board consisting of at least three members;

9616 (ii) an appeals board established under Subsection (8)(a)(i) shall include:

9617 (A) one of the authority board members appointed by the governor;

9618 (B) the authority board member appointed by the president of the Senate; and

9619 (C) the authority board member appointed by the speaker of the House of  
9620 Representatives; and

9621 (iii) an appeal of a decision of an appeals board is to district court, as provided in  
9622 Section [63G-2-404](#), except that the State Records Committee is not a party; and

9623 (b) a record created or retained by the authority or a subsidiary acting in the role of a  
9624 facilitator under Subsection [63H-1-201\(3\)\(v\)](#) is a protected record under Title 63G, Chapter 2,  
9625 Government Records Access and Management Act.

9626 (9) The authority or a subsidiary acting in the role of a facilitator under Subsection  
9627 [63H-1-201\(3\)\(v\)](#) is not prohibited from receiving a benefit from a public-private partnership  
9628 that results from the facilitator's work as a facilitator.

9629 (10) (a) (i) A subsidiary created as a public infrastructure district under Title 17D,  
9630 Chapter 4, Public Infrastructure District Act, may, subject to limitations of Title 17D, Chapter  
9631 4, Public Infrastructure District Act, levy a property tax for the operations and maintenance of

9632 the public infrastructure district's financed infrastructure and related improvements, subject to a  
9633 maximum rate of .015.

9634 (ii) A levy under Subsection (10)(a)(i) may be separate from a public infrastructure  
9635 district property tax levy for a bond.

9636 (b) If a subsidiary created as a public infrastructure district issues a bond:

9637 (i) the subsidiary may:

9638 (A) delay the effective date of the property tax levy for the bond until after the period  
9639 of capitalized interest payments; and

9640 (B) covenant with bondholders not to reduce or impair the property tax levy; and

9641 (ii) notwithstanding a provision to the contrary in Title 17D, Chapter 4, Public  
9642 Infrastructure District Act, the tax rate for the property tax levy for the bond may not exceed a  
9643 rate that generates more revenue than required to pay the annual debt service of the bond plus  
9644 administrative costs, subject to a maximum of .02.

9645 (c) (i) A subsidiary created as a public infrastructure district under Title 17D, Chapter  
9646 4, Public Infrastructure District Act, may create tax areas, as defined in Section 59-2-102,  
9647 within the public infrastructure district and apply a different property tax rate to each tax area,  
9648 subject to the maximum rate limitations described in Subsections (10)(a)(i) and (10)(b)(ii).

9649 (ii) If a subsidiary created by a public infrastructure district issues bonds, the subsidiary  
9650 may issue bonds secured by property taxes from:

9651 (A) the entire public infrastructure district; or

9652 (B) one or more tax areas within the public infrastructure district.

9653 (11) (a) Terms defined in Section 57-11-2 apply to this Subsection (11).

9654 (b) Title 57, Chapter 11, Utah Uniform Land Sales Practices Act, does not apply to an  
9655 offer or disposition of an interest in land if the interest in land lies within the boundaries of the  
9656 project area and the authority:

9657 (i) (A) has a development review committee using at least one professional planner;

9658 (B) enacts standards and guidelines that require approval of planning, land use, and  
9659 plats, including the approval of plans for streets, culinary water, sanitary sewer, and flood  
9660 control; and

9661 (C) will have the improvements described in Subsection (11)(b)(i)(B) plus  
9662 telecommunications and electricity; and

9663 (ii) if at the time of the offer or disposition, the subdivider furnishes satisfactory  
9664 assurance of completion of the improvements described in Subsection (11)(b)(i)(C).

9665 (12) (a) As used in this Subsection (12), "officer" means the same as an officer within  
9666 the meaning of the Utah Constitution Article IV, Section 10.

9667 (b) An official act of an officer may not be invalidated for the reason that the officer  
9668 failed to take the oath of office.

9669 Section 166. Section **63H-1-701** is amended to read:

9670 **63H-1-701. Annual authority budget -- Fiscal year -- Public hearing required --**  
9671 **Auditor forms -- Requirement to file form.**

9672 (1) The authority shall prepare and its board adopt an annual budget of revenues and  
9673 expenditures for the authority for each fiscal year.

9674 (2) Each annual authority budget shall be adopted before June 30.

9675 (3) The authority's fiscal year shall be the period from July 1 to the following June 30.

9676 (4) (a) Before adopting an annual budget, the authority board shall hold a public  
9677 hearing on the annual budget.

9678 (b) The authority shall provide notice of the public hearing on the annual budget by  
9679 publishing notice[:(i) at least once in a newspaper of general circulation within the state, at  
9680 least one week before the public hearing; and(ii) on the Utah Public Notice Website created in  
9681 Section ~~63A-16-601~~], as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least one week  
9682 immediately before the day of the public hearing.

9683 (c) The authority shall make the annual budget available for public inspection at least  
9684 three days before the date of the public hearing.

9685 (5) The state auditor shall prescribe the budget forms and the categories to be contained  
9686 in each authority budget, including:

9687 (a) revenues and expenditures for the budget year;

9688 (b) legal fees; and

9689 (c) administrative costs, including rent, supplies, and other materials, and salaries of  
9690 authority personnel.

9691 (6) (a) Within 30 days after adopting an annual budget, the authority board shall file a  
9692 copy of the annual budget with the auditor of each county in which a project area of the  
9693 authority is located, the State Tax Commission, the state auditor, the State Board of Education,

9694 and each taxing entity that levies a tax on property from which the authority collects property  
9695 tax allocation.

9696 (b) The requirement of Subsection (6)(a) to file a copy of the annual budget with the  
9697 state as a taxing entity is met if the authority files a copy with the State Tax Commission and  
9698 the state auditor.

9699 Section 167. Section **67-3-13** is amended to read:

9700 **67-3-13. State privacy officer.**

9701 (1) As used in this section:

9702 (a) "Designated government entity" means a government entity that is not a state  
9703 agency.

9704 (b) "Independent entity" means the same as that term is defined in Section [63E-1-102](#).

9705 (c) (i) "Government entity" means the state, a county, a municipality, a higher  
9706 education institution, a local district, a special service district, a school district, an independent  
9707 entity, or any other political subdivision of the state or an administrative subunit of any  
9708 political subdivision, including a law enforcement entity.

9709 (ii) "Government entity" includes an agent of an entity described in Subsection  
9710 (1)(c)(i).

9711 (d) (i) "Personal data" means any information relating to an identified or identifiable  
9712 individual.

9713 (ii) "Personal data" includes personally identifying information.

9714 (e) (i) "Privacy practice" means the acquisition, use, storage, or disposal of personal  
9715 data.

9716 (ii) "Privacy practice" includes:

9717 (A) a technology use related to personal data; and

9718 (B) policies related to the protection, storage, sharing, and retention of personal data.

9719 (f) (i) "State agency" means the following entities that are under the direct supervision  
9720 and control of the governor or the lieutenant governor:

9721 (A) a department;

9722 (B) a commission;

9723 (C) a board;

9724 (D) a council;

- 9725 (E) an institution;
- 9726 (F) an officer;
- 9727 (G) a corporation;
- 9728 (H) a fund;
- 9729 (I) a division;
- 9730 (J) an office;
- 9731 (K) a committee;
- 9732 (L) an authority;
- 9733 (M) a laboratory;
- 9734 (N) a library;
- 9735 (O) a bureau;
- 9736 (P) a panel;
- 9737 (Q) another administrative unit of the state; or
- 9738 (R) an agent of an entity described in Subsections (A) through (Q).
- 9739 (ii) "State agency" does not include:
- 9740 (A) the legislative branch;
- 9741 (B) the judicial branch;
- 9742 (C) an executive branch agency within the Office of the Attorney General, the state
- 9743 auditor, the state treasurer, or the State Board of Education; or
- 9744 (D) an independent entity.
- 9745 (2) The state privacy officer shall:
- 9746 (a) when completing the duties of this Subsection (2), focus on the privacy practices of
- 9747 designated government entities;
- 9748 (b) compile information about government privacy practices of designated government
- 9749 entities;
- 9750 (c) make public and maintain information about government privacy practices on the
- 9751 state auditor's website;
- 9752 (d) provide designated government entities with educational and training materials
- 9753 developed by the Personal Privacy Oversight Commission established in Section [63C-24-201](#)
- 9754 that include the information described in Subsection [63C-24-202\(1\)\(b\)](#);
- 9755 (e) implement a process to analyze and respond to requests from individuals for the

- 9756 state privacy officer to review a designated government entity's privacy practice;
- 9757 (f) identify annually which designated government entities' privacy practices pose the  
9758 greatest risk to individual privacy and prioritize those privacy practices for review;
- 9759 (g) review each year, in as timely a manner as possible, the privacy practices that the  
9760 privacy officer identifies under Subsection (2)(e) or (2)(f) as posing the greatest risk to  
9761 individuals' privacy;
- 9762 (h) when reviewing a designated government entity's privacy practice under Subsection  
9763 (2)(g), analyze:
- 9764 (i) details about the technology or the policy and the technology's or the policy's  
9765 application;
- 9766 (ii) information about the type of data being used;
- 9767 (iii) information about how the data is obtained, stored, shared, secured, and disposed;
- 9768 (iv) information about with which persons the designated government entity shares the  
9769 information;
- 9770 (v) information about whether an individual can or should be able to opt out of the  
9771 retention and sharing of the individual's data;
- 9772 (vi) information about how the designated government entity de-identifies or  
9773 anonymizes data;
- 9774 (vii) a determination about the existence of alternative technology or improved  
9775 practices to protect privacy; and
- 9776 (viii) a finding of whether the designated government entity's current privacy practice  
9777 adequately protects individual privacy; and
- 9778 (i) after completing a review described in Subsections (2)(g) and (h), determine:
- 9779 (i) each designated government entity's use of personal data, including the designated  
9780 government entity's practices regarding data:
- 9781 (A) acquisition;
- 9782 (B) storage;
- 9783 (C) disposal;
- 9784 (D) protection; and
- 9785 (E) sharing;
- 9786 (ii) the adequacy of the designated government entity's practices in each of the areas

9787 described in Subsection (2)(i)(i); and

9788 (iii) for each of the areas described in Subsection (2)(i)(i) that the state privacy officer  
9789 determines to require reform, provide recommendations for reform to the designated  
9790 government entity and the legislative body charged with regulating the designated government  
9791 entity.

9792 (3) (a) The legislative body charged with regulating a designated government entity  
9793 that receives a recommendation described in Subsection (2)(i)(iii) shall hold a public hearing  
9794 on the proposed reforms:

9795 (i) with a quorum of the legislative body present; and

9796 (ii) within 90 days after the day on which the legislative body receives the  
9797 recommendation.

9798 (b) (i) The legislative body shall provide notice of the hearing described in Subsection  
9799 (3)(a).

9800 (ii) Notice of the public hearing and the recommendations to be discussed shall be  
9801 posted ~~[on:]~~ for the jurisdiction of the designated government entity, as a class A notice under  
9802 Section 63G-28-102, for at least 30 days before the day on which the legislative body will hold  
9803 the public hearing.

9804 ~~[(A) the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601 for 30 days before~~  
9805 ~~the day on which the legislative body will hold the public hearing; and]~~

9806 ~~[(B) the website of the designated government entity that received a recommendation,~~  
9807 ~~if the designated government entity has a website, for 30 days before the day on which the~~  
9808 ~~legislative body will hold the public hearing.]~~

9809 (iii) Each notice required under Subsection (3)(b)(i) shall:

9810 (A) identify the recommendations to be discussed; and

9811 (B) state the date, time, and location of the public hearing.

9812 (c) During the hearing described in Subsection (3)(a), the legislative body shall:

9813 (i) provide the public the opportunity to ask questions and obtain further information  
9814 about the recommendations; and

9815 (ii) provide any interested person an opportunity to address the legislative body with  
9816 concerns about the recommendations.

9817 (d) At the conclusion of the hearing, the legislative body shall determine whether the

9818 legislative body shall adopt reforms to address the recommendations and any concerns raised  
9819 during the public hearing.

9820 (4) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (4)(b), if the government operations privacy  
9821 officer described in Section [67-1-17](#) is not conducting reviews of the privacy practices of state  
9822 agencies, the state privacy officer may review the privacy practices of a state agency in  
9823 accordance with the processes described in this section.

9824 (b) Subsection (3) does not apply to a state agency.

9825 (5) The state privacy officer shall:

9826 (a) quarterly report, to the Personal Privacy Oversight Commission:

9827 (i) recommendations for privacy practices for the commission to review; and

9828 (ii) the information provided in Subsection (2)(i); and

9829 (b) annually, on or before October 1, report to the Judiciary Interim Committee:

9830 (i) the results of any reviews described in Subsection (2)(g), if any reviews have been  
9831 completed;

9832 (ii) reforms, to the extent that the state privacy officer is aware of any reforms, that the  
9833 designated government entity made in response to any reviews described in Subsection (2)(g);

9834 (iii) the information described in Subsection (2)(i); and

9835 (iv) recommendations for legislation based on any results of a review described in  
9836 Subsection (2)(g).

9837 Section 168. Section **72-3-108** is amended to read:

9838 **72-3-108. County roads -- Vacation and narrowing -- Notice requirements.**

9839 (1) A county may, by ordinance, vacate, narrow, or change the name of a county road  
9840 without petition or after petition by a property owner.

9841 (2) A county may not vacate a county road unless notice of the hearing is:

9842 (a) published[+] for the county, as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at  
9843 least four weeks before the day of the hearing; and

9844 [~~(i) in a newspaper of general circulation in the county once a week for four  
9845 consecutive weeks before the hearing; and]~~

9846 [~~(ii) on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section [63A-16-601](#), for four weeks  
9847 before the hearing; and]~~

9848 [~~(b) posted in three public places for four consecutive weeks prior to the hearing; and]~~

9849            [(e)] (b) mailed to the department and all owners of property abutting the county road.

9850            (3) The right-of-way and easements, if any, of a property owner and the franchise rights  
9851 of any public utility may not be impaired by vacating or narrowing a county road.

9852            (4) Except as provided in Section 72-5-305, if a county vacates a county road, the  
9853 state's right-of-way interest in the county road is also vacated.

9854            Section 169. Section 72-5-105 is amended to read:

9855            **72-5-105. Highways, streets, or roads once established continue until abandoned**  
9856 **-- Temporary closure -- Notice.**

9857            (1) Except as provided in Subsections (3) and (7), all public highways, streets, or roads  
9858 once established shall continue to be highways, streets, or roads until formally abandoned or  
9859 vacated by written order, resolution, or ordinance resolution of a highway authority having  
9860 jurisdiction or by court decree, and the written order, resolution, ordinance, or court decree has  
9861 been duly recorded in the office of the recorder of the county or counties where the highway,  
9862 street, or road is located.

9863            (2) (a) For purposes of assessment, upon the recordation of an order executed by the  
9864 proper authority with the county recorder's office, title to the vacated or abandoned highway,  
9865 street, or road shall vest to the adjoining record owners, with one-half of the width of the  
9866 highway, street, or road assessed to each of the adjoining owners.

9867            (b) Provided, however, that should a description of an owner of record extend into the  
9868 vacated or abandoned highway, street, or road that portion of the vacated or abandoned  
9869 highway, street, or road shall vest in the record owner, with the remainder of the highway,  
9870 street, or road vested as otherwise provided in this Subsection (2).

9871            (c) Title to a highway, street, or road that a local highway authority closes to vehicular  
9872 traffic under Subsection (3) or (7) remains vested in the city.

9873            (3) (a) In accordance with this section, a state or local highway authority may  
9874 temporarily close a class B, C, or D road, an R.S. 2477 right-of-way, or a portion of a class B,  
9875 C, or D road or R.S. 2477 right-of-way.

9876            (b) (i) A temporary closure authorized under this section is not an abandonment.

9877            (ii) The erection of a barrier or sign on a highway, street, or road once established is  
9878 not an abandonment.

9879            (iii) An interruption of the public's continuous use of a highway, street, or road once

9880 established is not an abandonment even if the interruption is allowed to continue unabated.

9881 (c) A temporary closure under Subsection (3)(a) may be authorized only under the  
9882 following circumstances:

9883 (i) when a federal authority, or other person, provides an alternate route to an R.S.  
9884 2477 right-of-way or portion of an R.S. 2477 right-of-way if the alternate route is:

9885 (A) accepted by the highway authority; and

9886 (B) formalized by a federal permit or a written agreement between the federal authority  
9887 or other person and the highway authority;

9888 (ii) when a state or local highway authority determines that correction or mitigation of  
9889 injury to private or public land resources is necessary on or near a class B or D road or portion  
9890 of a class B or D road; or

9891 (iii) when a local highway authority makes a finding that temporary closure of all or  
9892 part of a class C road is necessary to mitigate unsafe conditions.

9893 (d) (i) If a local highway authority temporarily closes all or part of a class C road under  
9894 Subsection (3)(c)(iii), the local highway authority may convert the closed portion of the road to  
9895 another public use or purpose related to the mitigation of the unsafe condition.

9896 (ii) If a local highway authority temporarily closes all or part of a class C road under  
9897 Subsection (3)(c)(iii), and the closed portion of road is the subject of a lease agreement  
9898 between the local highway authority and another entity, the local highway authority may not  
9899 reopen the closed portion of the road until the lease agreement terminates.

9900 (e) A highway authority shall reopen an R.S. 2477 right-of-way or portion of an R.S.  
9901 2477 right-of-way temporarily closed under this section if the alternate route is closed for any  
9902 reason.

9903 (f) A temporary closure authorized under Subsection (3)(c)(ii) shall:

9904 (i) be authorized annually; and

9905 (ii) not exceed two years or the time it takes to complete the correction or mitigation,  
9906 whichever is less.

9907 (4) To authorize a closure of a road under Subsection (3) or (7), a local highway  
9908 authority shall pass an ordinance to temporarily or indefinitely close the road.

9909 (5) Before authorizing a temporary or indefinite closure as described in Subsection (4),  
9910 a highway authority shall:

- 9911 (a) hold a hearing on the proposed temporary or indefinite closure;
- 9912 (b) provide notice of the hearing by mailing a notice to the Department of  
 9913 Transportation [~~and all owners of property abutting the highway~~]; and
- 9914 (c) except for a closure under Subsection (3)(c)(iii), [~~post the notice:~~] provide notice to  
 9915 the owners of the properties abutting the highway, as a class B notice under Section  
 9916 63G-28-102, for at least four weeks before the day of the hearing.  
 9917 [~~on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601, for four weeks~~  
 9918 ~~before the hearing; or~~]
- 9919 [~~(ii) in three public places for at least four consecutive weeks before the hearing.]~~
- 9920 (6) The right-of-way and easements, if any, of a property owner and the franchise rights  
 9921 of any public utility may not be impaired by a temporary or indefinite closure authorized under  
 9922 this section.
- 9923 (7) (a) A local highway authority may close to vehicular travel and convert to another  
 9924 public use or purpose a highway, road, or street over which the local highway authority has  
 9925 jurisdiction, for an indefinite period of time, if the local highway authority makes a finding  
 9926 that:
- 9927 (i) the closed highway, road, or street is not necessary for vehicular travel;
- 9928 (ii) the closure of the highway, road, or street is necessary to correct or mitigate injury  
 9929 to private or public land resources on or near the highway, road, or street; or
- 9930 (iii) the closure of the highway, road, or street is necessary to mitigate unsafe  
 9931 conditions.
- 9932 (b) If a local highway authority indefinitely closes all or part of a highway, road, or  
 9933 street under Subsection (7)(a)(iii), and the closed portion of road is the subject of a lease  
 9934 agreement between the local highway authority and another entity, the local highway authority  
 9935 may not reopen the closed portion of the road until the lease agreement terminates.
- 9936 (c) An indefinite closure authorized under this Subsection (7) is not an abandonment.  
 9937 Section 170. Section **72-6-108** is amended to read:
- 9938 **72-6-108. Class B and C roads -- Improvement projects -- Notice -- Contracts --**  
 9939 **Retainage.**
- 9940 (1) A county executive for class B roads and the municipal executive for class C roads  
 9941 shall cause plans, specifications, and estimates to be made prior to the construction of any

9942 improvement project, as defined in Section 72-6-109, on a class B or C road if the estimated  
9943 cost for any one project exceeds the bid limit as defined in Section 72-6-109 for labor,  
9944 equipment, and materials.

9945 (2) (a) All projects in excess of the bid limit shall be performed under contract to be let  
9946 to the lowest responsible bidder.

9947 (b) If the estimated cost of the improvement project exceeds the bid limit for labor,  
9948 equipment, and materials, the project may not be divided to permit the construction in parts,  
9949 unless each part is done by contract.

9950 (3) The advertisement on bids shall be ~~[posted:]~~ published for the county, as a class A  
9951 notice under Section 63G-28-102, for three weeks.

9952 ~~[(a) on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section 63A-16-601, for three~~  
9953 ~~weeks; and]~~

9954 ~~[(b) for at least 20 days in at least five public places in the county.]~~

9955 (4) The county or municipal executive or their designee shall receive sealed bids and  
9956 open the bids at the time and place designated in the advertisement. The county or municipal  
9957 executive or their designee may then award the contract but may reject any and all bids.

9958 (5) The person, firm, or corporation that is awarded a contract under this section is  
9959 subject to the provisions of Title 63G, Chapter 6a, Utah Procurement Code.

9960 (6) If any payment on a contract with a private contractor for construction or  
9961 improvement of a class B or C road is retained or withheld, the payment shall be retained or  
9962 withheld and released as provided in Section 13-8-5.

9963 Section 171. Section 73-5-14 is amended to read:

9964 **73-5-14. Determination by the state engineer of watershed to which particular**  
9965 **source is tributary -- Publications of notice and result -- Hearing -- Judicial review.**

9966 (1) The state engineer may determine for administrative and distribution purposes the  
9967 watershed to which any particular stream or source of water is tributary.

9968 (2) A determination under Subsection (1) may be made only after publication of notice  
9969 to the water users.

9970 (3) Publication of notice under Subsection (2) shall be made:

9971 (a) ~~[in a newspaper or newspapers having general circulation in]~~ for every county in the  
9972 state in which any rights might be affected, ~~[once each week for five consecutive weeks]~~ as a

9973 class A notice under Section 63G-28-102, for at least five weeks before the date of the hearing  
9974 described in Subsection (4); and

9975 (b) in accordance with Section 45-1-101 for five weeks~~[-and].~~  
9976 ~~[(c) on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63A-16-601, for five weeks.]~~

9977 (4) The state engineer shall fix the date and place of hearing and at the hearing any  
9978 water user shall be given an opportunity to appear and adduce evidence material to the  
9979 determination of the question involved.

9980 (5) (a) The state engineer shall publish the result of the determination as provided in  
9981 Subsections (3)(a) and (b), and the notice of the decision of the state engineer shall notify the  
9982 public that any person aggrieved by the decision may appeal the decision as provided by  
9983 Section 73-3-14.

9984 (b) The notice under Subsection (5)(a) shall be considered to have been given so as to  
9985 start the time for appeal upon completion of the publication of notice.

9986 Section 172. Section 73-10-32 is amended to read:

9987 **73-10-32. Definitions -- Water conservation plan required -- Notice.**

9988 (1) As used in this section:

9989 (a) "Division" means the Division of Water Resources created under Section 73-10-18.

9990 (b) "Water conservancy district" means an entity formed under Title 17B, Chapter 2a,  
9991 Part 10, Water Conservancy District Act.

9992 (c) "Water conservation plan" means a written document that contains existing and  
9993 proposed water conservation measures describing what will be done by a water provider, and  
9994 the end user of culinary water to help conserve water in the state in terms of per capita use of  
9995 water provided through culinary water infrastructure owned or operated by the water provider  
9996 so that adequate supplies of water are available for future needs.

9997 (d) "Water provider" means:

9998 (i) a retail water supplier, as defined in Section 19-4-102; or

9999 (ii) a water conservancy district.

10000 (2) (a) A water conservation plan shall contain:

10001 (i) (A) a clearly stated overall water use reduction goal that is consistent with  
10002 Subsection (2)(d); and

10003 (B) an implementation plan for each water conservation measure a water provider

- 10004 chooses to use, including a timeline for action and an evaluation process to measure progress;
- 10005 (ii) a requirement that a notification procedure be implemented that includes the
- 10006 delivery of the water conservation plan to the media and to the governing body of each
- 10007 municipality and county served by the water provider;
- 10008 (iii) a copy of the minutes of the meeting regarding a water conservation plan and the
- 10009 notification procedure required in Subsection (2)(a)(ii) that shall be added as an appendix to the
- 10010 water conservation plan; and
- 10011 (iv) for a retail water supplier, as defined in Section 19-4-102, the retail water
- 10012 supplier's rate structure that is:
- 10013 (A) adopted by the retail water supplier's governing body in accordance with Section
- 10014 73-10-32.5; and
- 10015 (B) current as of the day the retail water supplier files a water conservation plan.
- 10016 (b) A water conservation plan may include information regarding:
- 10017 (i) the installation and use of water efficient fixtures and appliances, including toilets,
- 10018 shower fixtures, and faucets;
- 10019 (ii) residential and commercial landscapes and irrigation that require less water to
- 10020 maintain;
- 10021 (iii) more water efficient industrial and commercial processes involving the use of
- 10022 water;
- 10023 (iv) water reuse systems, both potable and not potable;
- 10024 (v) distribution system leak repair;
- 10025 (vi) dissemination of public information regarding more efficient use of water,
- 10026 including public education programs, customer water use audits, and water saving
- 10027 demonstrations;
- 10028 (vii) water rate structures designed to encourage more efficient use of water;
- 10029 (viii) statutes, ordinances, codes, or regulations designed to encourage more efficient
- 10030 use of water by means such as water efficient fixtures and landscapes;
- 10031 (ix) incentives to implement water efficient techniques, including rebates to water
- 10032 users to encourage the implementation of more water efficient measures; and
- 10033 (x) other measures designed to conserve water.
- 10034 (c) The division may be contacted for information and technical resources regarding

10035 measures listed in Subsection (2)(b).

10036 (d) (i) The division shall adopt by rule, made in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3,  
10037 Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, regional water conservation goals that:

10038 (A) are developed by the division;

10039 (B) are reevaluated by December 31, 2030, and every 10 years after December 31,  
10040 2030; and

10041 (C) define what constitutes "water being conserved" under a water conservation goal  
10042 after considering factors such as depletion, diversion, use, consumption, or return flows.

10043 (ii) As part of a water conservation plan, a water provider shall adopt one of the  
10044 following:

10045 (A) the regional water conservation goal applicable to the water provider;

10046 (B) a water conservation goal that would result in more water being conserved than  
10047 would be conserved under the regional water conservation goal; or

10048 (C) a water conservation goal that would result in less water being conserved than  
10049 would be conserved under the regional water conservation goal with a reasonable justification  
10050 as to why the different water conservation goal is adopted and an explanation of the factors  
10051 supporting the reasonable justification, such as demographics, geography, lot sizes, make up of  
10052 water service classes, or availability of secondary water.

10053 (3) (a) A water provider shall:

10054 (i) prepare and adopt a water conservation plan; and

10055 (ii) file a copy of the water conservation plan with the division.

10056 (b) (i) Before adopting or amending a water conservation plan, a water provider shall  
10057 hold a public hearing with reasonable, advance public notice in accordance with this  
10058 Subsection (3)(b).

10059 (ii) The water provider shall provide public notice at least 14 days before the date of  
10060 the public hearing.

10061 (iii) A water provider meets the requirements of reasonable notice required by this  
10062 Subsection (3)(b) if the water provider posts notice of the public hearing [~~in at least three~~  
10063 ~~public places within the service area of the water provider and~~];

10064 [~~(A) if the water provider is a public entity, posts notice on the Utah Public Notice~~  
10065 ~~Website, created in Section 63A-16-601; or]~~

10066 (A) for the service area of the water provider, as a class A notice under Section  
10067 63G-28-102, for at least 14 days; and

10068 (B) if the water provider is a private entity and has a public website, [~~posts notice~~] on  
10069 the water provider's public website.

10070 (iv) Proof that notice described in Subsection (3)(b)(iii) was given is prima facie  
10071 evidence that notice was properly given.

10072 (v) If notice given under authority of this Subsection (3)(b) is not challenged within 30  
10073 days from the date of the public hearing for which the notice was given, the notice is  
10074 considered adequate and proper.

10075 (c) A water provider shall:

10076 (i) post the water provider's water conservation plan on a public website; or

10077 (ii) if the water provider does not have a public website, make the water provider's  
10078 water conservation plan [~~publically~~] publicly available for inspection upon request.

10079 (4) (a) The division shall:

10080 (i) provide guidelines and technical resources to help water providers prepare and  
10081 implement water conservation plans;

10082 (ii) assist water providers by identifying water conservation methods upon request; and

10083 (iii) provide an online submission form that allows for an electronic copy of the water  
10084 conservation plan to be filed with the division under Subsection (3)(a)(ii).

10085 (b) The division shall post an annual report at the end of a calendar year listing water  
10086 providers in compliance with this section.

10087 (5) A water provider may only receive state funds for water development if the water  
10088 provider complies with the requirements of this section.

10089 (6) A water provider specified under Subsection (3)(a) shall:

10090 (a) update the water provider's water conservation plan no less frequently than every  
10091 five years; and

10092 (b) follow the procedures required under Subsection (3) when updating the water  
10093 conservation plan.

10094 (7) It is the intent of the Legislature that the water conservation plans, amendments to  
10095 existing water conservation plans, and the studies and report by the division be handled within  
10096 the existing budgets of the respective entities or agencies.

10097 Section 173. Section **75-1-401** is amended to read:

10098 **75-1-401. Notice -- Method and time of giving.**

10099 (1) If notice of a hearing on any petition is required and except for specific notice  
10100 requirements as otherwise provided, the petitioner shall cause notice of the time and place of  
10101 hearing of any petition to be given to any interested person or the person's attorney if the person  
10102 has appeared by attorney or requested that notice be sent to the person's attorney. Notice shall  
10103 be given by the clerk posting a copy of the notice for the 10 consecutive days immediately  
10104 preceding the time set for the hearing in at least three public places in the county, one of which  
10105 must be at the courthouse of the county and:

10106 (a) (i) by the clerk mailing a copy thereof at least 10 days before the time set for the  
10107 hearing by certified, registered, or ordinary first class mail addressed to the person being  
10108 notified at the post-office address given in the demand for notice, if any, or at the person's  
10109 office or place of residence, if known; or

10110 (ii) by delivering a copy thereof to the person being notified personally at least 10 days  
10111 before the time set for the hearing; and

10112 (b) if the address, or identity of any person is not known and cannot be ascertained with  
10113 reasonable diligence, by publishing[~~ing~~] for the county where the hearing is to be held, as a class  
10114 A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for at least 10 days before the day of the hearing.

10115 [~~(i) at least once a week for three consecutive weeks a copy thereof in a newspaper~~  
10116 ~~having general circulation in the county where the hearing is to be held, the last publication of~~  
10117 ~~which is to be at least 10 days before the time set for the hearing; and]~~

10118 [~~(ii) on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section [63A-16-601](#), for three~~  
10119 ~~weeks.]~~

10120 (2) The court for good cause shown may provide for a different method or time of  
10121 giving notice for any hearing.

10122 (3) Proof of the giving of notice shall be made on or before the hearing and filed in the  
10123 proceeding.

10124 Section 174. Section **76-8-809** is amended to read:

10125 **76-8-809. Closing or restricting use of highways abutting defense or war facilities**  
10126 **-- Posting of notices.**

10127 Any individual, partnership, association, corporation, municipal corporation or state or

10128 any political subdivision thereof engaged in or preparing to engage in the manufacture,  
10129 transportation or storage of any product to be used in the preparation of the United States or  
10130 any of the states for defense or for war or in the prosecution of war by the United States, or in  
10131 the manufacture, transportation, distribution or storage of gas, oil, coal, electricity or water, or  
10132 any of said natural or artificial persons operating any public utility who has property so used  
10133 which he or it believes will be endangered if public use and travel is not restricted or prohibited  
10134 on one or more highways or parts thereof upon which the property abuts, may petition the  
10135 highway commissioners of any city, town, or county to close one or more of the highways or  
10136 parts thereof to public use and travel or to restrict by order the use and travel upon one or more  
10137 of the highways or parts thereof.

10138         Upon receipt of the petition, the highway commissioners shall set a day for hearing and  
10139 give notice of the hearing [~~by posting a notice on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in~~  
10140 ~~Section 63A-16-601~~], as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#), for the city, town, or  
10141 county, for at least seven days [~~prior to the date set for~~] before the day of the hearing. If, after  
10142 hearing, the highway commissioners determine that the public safety and the safety of the  
10143 property of the petitioner so require, they shall by suitable order close to public use and travel  
10144 or reasonably restrict the use of and travel upon one or more of the highways or parts thereof;  
10145 provided the highway commissioners may issue written permits to travel over the highway so  
10146 closed or restricted to responsible and reputable persons for a term, under conditions and in a  
10147 form as the commissioners may prescribe. Appropriate notices in letters at least three inches  
10148 high shall be posted conspicuously at each end of any highway so closed or restricted by an  
10149 order. The highway commissioners may at any time revoke or modify any order so made.

10150         Section 175. Section **78A-7-202** is amended to read:

10151         **78A-7-202. Justice court judges to be appointed -- Procedure.**

10152         (1) As used in this section:

10153         (a) "Local government executive" means:

10154         (i) for a county:

10155         (A) the chair of the county commission in a county operating under the county  
10156 commission or expanded county commission form of county government;

10157         (B) the county executive in a county operating under the county executive-council form  
10158 of county government; and

- 10159 (C) the county manager in a county operating under the council-manager form of  
10160 county government;
- 10161 (ii) for a city or town:
- 10162 (A) the mayor of the city or town; or
- 10163 (B) the city manager, in the council-manager form of government described in  
10164 Subsection [10-3b-103](#)(7); and
- 10165 (iii) for a metro township, the chair of the metro township council.
- 10166 (b) "Local legislative body" means:
- 10167 (i) for a county, the county commission or county council; and
- 10168 (ii) for a city or town, the council of the city or town.
- 10169 (2) (a) There is created in each county a county justice court nominating commission to  
10170 review applicants and make recommendations to the appointing authority for a justice court  
10171 position.
- 10172 (b) The commission shall be convened when a new justice court judge position is  
10173 created or when a vacancy in an existing court occurs for a justice court located within the  
10174 county.
- 10175 (c) Membership of the justice court nominating commission shall be as follows:
- 10176 (i) one member appointed by:
- 10177 (A) the county commission if the county has a county commission form of  
10178 government; or
- 10179 (B) the county executive if the county has an executive-council form of government;
- 10180 (ii) one member appointed by the municipalities in the counties as follows:
- 10181 (A) if the county has only one municipality, appointment shall be made by the  
10182 governing authority of that municipality; or
- 10183 (B) if the county has more than one municipality, appointment shall be made by a  
10184 municipal selection committee composed of the mayors of each municipality and the chairs of  
10185 each metro township in the county;
- 10186 (iii) one member appointed by the county bar association; and
- 10187 (iv) two members appointed by the governing authority of the jurisdiction where the  
10188 judicial office is located.
- 10189 (d) (i) If there is no county bar association, the member in Subsection (2)(c)(iii) shall

10190 be appointed by the regional bar association.

10191 (ii) If no regional bar association exists, the state bar association shall make the  
10192 appointment.

10193 (e) Members appointed under Subsections (2)(c)(i) and (ii) may not be the appointing  
10194 authority or an elected official of a county or municipality.

10195 (f) (i) Except as provided in Subsection (2)(d)(ii), the nominating commission shall  
10196 submit at least three names to the appointing authority of the jurisdiction expected to be served  
10197 by the judge.

10198 (ii) If there are fewer than three applicants for a justice court vacancy, the nominating  
10199 commission shall submit all qualified applicants to the appointing authority of the jurisdiction  
10200 expected to be served by the judge.

10201 (iii) The local government executive shall appoint a judge from the list submitted and  
10202 the appointment ratified by the local legislative body.

10203 (g) (i) The state court administrator shall provide staff to the commission.

10204 (ii) The Judicial Council shall establish rules and procedures for the conduct of the  
10205 commission.

10206 (3) (a) A judicial vacancy for a justice court shall be announced:

10207 (i) as an employment opportunity on the Utah Courts' website;

10208 (ii) in an email to the members of the Utah State Bar; and

10209 [~~(iii) on the Utah Public Notice Website, created in Section 63A-16-601]~~

10210 (iii) for the justice court's jurisdiction, as a class A notice under Section [63G-28-102](#),  
10211 for at least 30 days.

10212 (b) A judicial vacancy for a justice court may also be advertised through other  
10213 appropriate means.

10214 (4) Selection of candidates shall be based on compliance with the requirements for  
10215 office and competence to serve as a judge.

10216 (5) (a) Once selected, every prospective justice court judge shall attend an orientation  
10217 seminar conducted under the direction of the Judicial Council.

10218 (b) Upon completion of the orientation seminar described in Subsection (5)(a), the  
10219 Judicial Council shall certify the justice court judge as qualified to hold office.

10220 (6) (a) The selection of a person to fill the office of justice court judge is effective upon

10221 certification of the judge by the Judicial Council.

10222 (b) A justice court judge may not perform judicial duties until certified by the Judicial

10223 Council.